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State gives two West Sac schools poor marks

■ No local schools ranked in top 40 percent statewide, but results are particularly disappointing for Elkhorn and Westfield elementary schools.

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

The State of California yesterday released the results of its first annual ranking of California schools in order of their students' achievements on the standardized "STAR 9" tests. The tests measured performance in math and in language arts and related fields. For West Sacramento, the results appeared disappointing.

"We knew some schools would be low, but we did not really anticipate they'd be as low as they are," said Assistant Superintendent Patrick Campbell of the Washington Unified School District. "When you compare them with schools with similar characteristics, they were still low."

Campbell was referring in particular to the state's ranking of Elkhorn Village Elementary School and Westfield Village Elementary School, both of which ranked in the bottom ten percent when their test results were compared to California elementary schools as a whole, or to schools with similar situations. For the second category, schools are compared to other schools whose parents have similar levels of education, whose kids have about the same proportion of participation in free lunch programs, and whose populations match in other ways.

"We don't really have a reason why we didn't do better compared to schools with similar characteristics," Campbell added.

Although no West Sacramento schools performed as standouts based on the test results, several turned in performance levels of about average.

Schools were ranked from "1" to "10", with "10" being the highest. Each of these numbers includes a group of 10 percent of the schools overall, so a score of "3" indicates a position in the third group from the bottom among ten groups overall. Westfield and Elkhorn schools both scored a "1" -- indicating a performance in the bottom ten percent of schools, in both the overall and "similar schools" categories.

The rankings are based on an Academic Performance Index test score for each school. The state is mandating a target of 800 points on this scale of 200 to 1,000 points, for all those schools who failed to score 800 points or more this year. The schools will be expected to make up five percent of their current point score shortage each year -- or face intervention from state education officials.

Elkhorn scored 411 points on this scale, and Westfield scored 407, leaving them far short of the 800 point targets. Other West Sacramento schools scored as follows:

Bryte Elementary scored 611 points, for a "5" overall, and "6" compared to similar schools.

Evergreen Elementary scored 522 points, for a "3" overall, and "2" compared to similar schools.

Alyce Norman Elementary scored 583 points, for a "4" overall, and "3" against similar schools.

Southport Elementary scored 660 points, for a "6" overall, and "2" against similar schools.

Westmore Oaks Elementary School scored 660 points, for a "6" overall and "4" against similar schools.

Golden State Middle School scored 532 points, for a "3" overall and "2" against similar schools.

River City High School scored 591 points, for a "4" overall and "7" against similar schools.

Because they scored under 800 points on the student testing, each West Sacramento school will receive an automatic target to improve its scores next year. Should any fail to meet these goals, the state will send a moderator to help administrators and community members develop a plan for improvement. And should that plan not succeed in another year, the state could assume some powers of administration over the individual school.

Campbell said district staff is assembling an action plan to help local schools meet their improvement goals. The preliminary plan will go to the school board for first discussion next month.

Casino?

■ Tribe's spokesperson can't be located to confirm whether proposal for 20-acre West Sacramento gaming site is still alive

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

An attorney claiming to represent a local Indian tribe approached four members of the West Sacramento City Council about two months ago to share conceptual plans for an Indian gaming casino in the city's riverfront area. But no formal proposal has been received by the city, and the attorney could not be located to confirm whether the tribe's plans are still alive.

None of the council members was able to confirm either the attorney's name or the name of the tribe, although council members Greg Potnick and Jim Cahill shared information about the proposal with the *News-Ledger*.

"He said the development would be this wonderful gaming establishment, and 'wouldn't it be a great thing to kick off development?'," related Cahill. "What he said was that we as a city council could give them the power to build this casino, and if we wouldn't do it, they had very powerful contacts in Congress who would move nationally to get it done."

Potnick said he, too, received something of a veiled political threat from the tribe's attorney. He said the tribe's representatives alluded to powerful Congressional contacts in the nation's southeast.

"The attorney represented that if the Indian tribe acquired the property, it became 'sovereign nation' land, and they had the right to build what they want as long as they abide by local infrastructure requirements," Potnick related. "If they found a willing property seller, there would be nothing we could do."

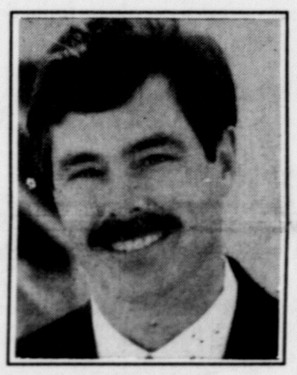
Cahill said he has become skeptical of the idea of a casino for West Sacramento since learning more about what gaming brings to a community. He added that the attorney called him following their meeting to say, "Never mind, we have a pretty good national connections, we're going to go ahead on that level."

Potnick said he made it clear to the tribe's attorney that he opposed the proposal.

"It runs contrary to everything we've tried to accomplish as a city," he stated. "We still have some minor baggage as far as being viewed as a castoff. I informed him I felt it didn't fit with our plans for West Sacramento."

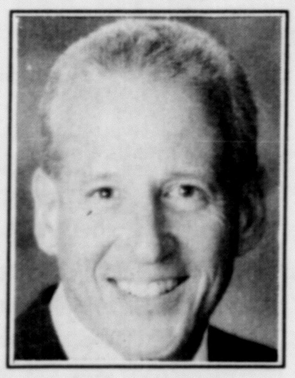
Mayor Christopher Cabaldon said that he had been approached "by people who want to explore different options" regarding development at the city's riverfront downtown area, but that a casino was not championed to him singly.

"I've not had extensive conversations about this, nor have I seen a proposal," said the mayor.



JIM CAHILL
City Council Member

Councilman Bill Kristoff said that he had indeed been approached by a casino proponent, but declined to elaborate on details from the conversation. Councilman Mark Montemayor said he had not been approached about a casino.



GREG POTNICK
City Council Member

From the information related by Potnick and Cahill, it appeared that the tribe was interested in a 20-acre site close to the Raley Field ballpark now under construction, and that casino construction costs would total about $40-60 million. The gaming establishment would be several stories tall and operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

As tribal property, it would not be subject to the same taxes as a private business.

There is currently no such land in the West Sacramento area, and it could require federal action to allow land in West Sacramento to be put into trust for a tribe. A tribal gaming operation does operate in far western Yolo County, in the Cache Creek area.

Cahill reports that he has contacted U.S. Representative Doug Ose's office and been told that the Congressman would not blindly support any move to put West Sacramento land into trust for a Native American tribe.

A representative from Ose's office told the *News-Ledger* that he was not personally familiar with the possible casino proposal, but would research it.

In 1992, West Sacramento voters defeated -- by a wide margin -- a ballot measure which would have allowed a large "high class" cardroom to be built on western West Capitol Ave. That project was sponsored by private businesspeople.

Holy Cross geography champ

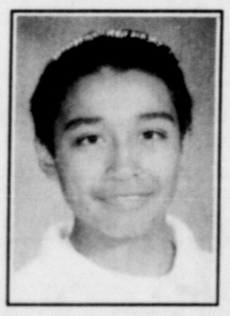
By Daryl Fisher
Features Editor

(Information for this article was provided by Christine Shower)

Daniel Valencia, an eighth grader at Holy Cross School, has won the school-level competition of the National Geographic Bee. His first place finish in the 12th annual competition, which is sponsored by the National Geographic Society, means he now has an opportunity to compete for a $25,000 college scholarship.

The National Geographic Society developed the Bee in response to a growing concern about the lack of geographic knowledge among young people in the United States. A 10-country Gallup survey conducted for the Society a decade ago found that people in the U.S between the ages of 18 and 24 knew less about geography than young people in any of the other countries surveyed.

DANIEL VALENCIA



Thousands of schools around the nation are participating in the Bee and school winners, including Daniel Valencia, will now take a written test, with up to 100 of the top scorers in each state eligible to compete for their state championship. If Daniel should win, he will get an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C. to compete against other state champions. The national finals will he hosted by Alex Trebek of "Jeopardy" later in the spring.

"The National Geographic Bee really gets the children involved in both geography and current events," said Sister Jane Golden, the principal of Holy Cross School, "and it has been very good for our students. This year's winner, Daniel Valencia, is an honor student, the Student Body President, participates in after-school sports, sings in the choir and is also active in the church. He's a very well-rounded young man and we're all very proud of him."

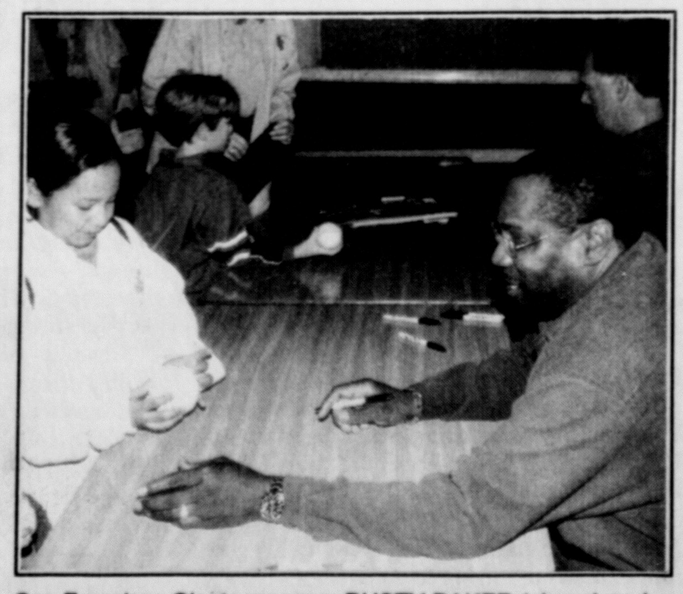
City council okays boat permits & approves sign

Two of the actions taken by the West Sacramento City Council last week included a move to pursue restricting the anchorage of boats locally and the approval of an $18,000 monument sign for the corner of Park and Jefferson boulevards.

The new rule for boaters is intended to prevent long-term anchorage by unseaworthy boats or those with on-board means of containing their sewage. It was drafted as a response to a similar measure in Sacramento which, city officials say, caused non-compliant boat-owners to move into West Sacramento waters.

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Giants visit W. Sac.



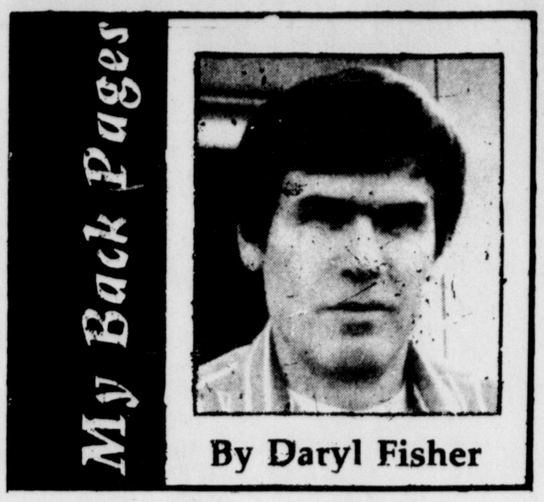
San Francisco Giants manager DUSTY BAKER (above) and team members signed autographs and gave baseball clinics last Tuesday at Golden State Middle School. The event was a fundraiser for youth baseball. *(Photo by Barry Blacklaw)*

'Fully staffed' status for corrections

The Yolo Co. Sheriff's Dept. has announced the hiring of six new correctional officers, bringing the department to "fully staffed" status of 72 correctional officers for the first time since 1992.

Sheriff Ed Prieto reports that he has "instituted an aggressive campaign to recruit, hire and train qualified individuals to fill the vacant positions" since taking office.

Sooner or later, most smokers try their best to quit



A few days ago I was chatting with a lady I really respect when she happened to mention that she had recently quit smoking.

"Really?" I said, a little surprised that anyone as bright and health conscious as she is would have been puffing away on cancer sticks for most of her adult life.

"You probably didn't even know that I smoked, did you?" she asked, no doubt noticing the puzzled expression on my face.

"No," I answered, "but that's great that you've decided to quit."

"It's actually been pretty easy so far," she said, "and once I make a decision like that, I'm really good about not changing my mind. It's only been 20 days, but I'm absolutely sure I won't go back to smoking again."

You're definitely a stronger willed person than I am, I thought to myself, recalling how truly difficult it had been for me to quit smoking some 25 years ago this past Monday. And how do I remember the exact day, you ask? Well, first a little history.

I began smoking cigarettes at the ridiculous age of 13. A few of my buddies were doing it, and since I was determined to be just as cool as they were, one night in a friend's bedroom, I agreed to light up one of his Lucky Strikes (they didn't have any filters back then) and puff away on it.

"That's not the way to do it," said my cool friend as I sat around in the center of the cloud of smoke I had created, "you've got to inhale it! You know, suck it in before you blow it out. See, like this."

His demonstration, especially the way he blew out two or three perfect little round circles of smoke, was just about the coolest thing I had ever witnessed. "Like this?" I asked him, taking a deep drag on my Lucky Strike. When I had finally stopped coughing and choking about five minutes later, my cool friend patted me on the back and assured me that all I needed was a little practice.

And practice I did! I'd hide in my parents bathroom with the door locked, sucking away on my dad's Pall Malls (which, when lit, smelled a little like the sewer water down in the ditch at the end of my street) or on my mom's Salem's, which left a strong menthol-flavor taste in my mouth and made me think that instead of having just done something really wicked, I had only brushed my teeth.

And not only did I religiously work on my inhaling, but I also spent countless hours improving my ability to blow smoke out of my nose (instead of just my mouth) as well as refining my Humphrey Bogart lip-hanging cigarette technique.

When someone would finally bang on the door, I would quickly flush all the evidence away and then very innocently stroll out of the bathroom, so dizzy that I would bounce off the hallway walls on my way to the front room. If the TV was on, the screen would inevitably start to sway back and forth in front of my eyes and make me so seasick I was sure I was going to throw up. Did I ever once consider that maybe my body was trying to tell me something? Never.

As I became an accomplished smoker (after also trying Camels, Winstons, Tareytons, Kents and Raleighs -- I tried those because of the coupons) I decided if I was really going to be cool, though, I had to become a Marlboro Man.

Anyway, by the time I returned from Vietnam in 1970, I was smoking three packs of cigarettes a day and I finally decided it was definitely time to quit. I mean, my whole day was organized around cigarette smoking and it was also getting to be pretty expensive. I tried cutting back, but that only seemed to make them taste better. I tried not buying my own, but that only made me a dreaded mooch. I tried only smoking outdoors, but that didn't make much sense on cold, rainy winter nights. I tried smoking only after meals, but that left me with nothing to do on work breaks. I even tried smoking those low tar things, but that almost gave me a hernia trying to drag some nicotine out of the darn things.

Then it finally dawned on me. I needed a REAL reason to quit. The ones I had used before (someone once even convinced me that quitting would improve my sex life -- something about nicotine deadening nerve endings?) simply hadn't worked. What could I use? There had to be something.

"The doctor says the baby could come any day now," announced my wife one night during a very competitive Scrabble game.

That's it, I told myself. Parents shouldn't smoke! The day the baby is born, you're quitting for good! And unlike New Years or some other date I was always picking out and then discarding, the birth of my first child was one that wouldn't be coming around again.

So, the night my daughter arrived in this world, I puffed away like crazy on my Marlboros until the nurses let me see her and her mother. Then I slipped into the nearest bathroom, tossed the rest of my pack into a waste paper basket, and told myself if I ever smoked again, I'd be lower than pond slime.

Not only did it somehow work, but now, some 25 years later, I'm one of those horrible reformed smokers who is always telling people who light up that they're probably going to die decades before they should, and even worse, that their clothes and hair reek of foul smelling cigarette smoke.

And the only memory I still cherish now from my smoking days is the lit Viceroy cigarette a very sweet nurse with incredibly kind brown eyes once offered me in an aid station in a faraway village called Lai Khe, Vietnam.

'In the Impressionist tradition'

By Betty Fairbairn Sokolich

"Scenes of West Sacramento" by Plein Painters Nancy Haley, David Kahn, Mae Delle Leino, Ruth McCormick, Betty Fairbairn Sokolich and Del Sunley is on exhibit at the Arthur Turner Library for the months of January and February.

This group of watercolor artists enjoys following the tradition of French Impressionist painters and enjoys going "on location" to find their inspiration. All the paintings in this exhibit are scenes of this area and the Port is a frequent subject matter.

How many viewers will remember back in the 70s and 80s when a favorite place for a festive meal was the Intent Restaurant located where the Money Store now stands? Nancy Haley has captured the old memory for us with an appealing design showing the big tent by the river. In a change of pace, she has painted the entrance to the locks in West Sacramento from across the Sacramento River.

Ruth McCormick also painted the "Port Entrance" from the same vantage point and achieves a soft glowing light by using soft pastel colors. Pinks and pale blue in the sky represent an enigmatic weather system by scattering and blending the colors on the paper till the painting is almost an abstract with dancing colors.

David Kahn gives us a different perspective of W.S. also from across the river, showing the tanks in a rhythmical pattern. Kahn's lively brush strokes give a vibrancy to his creation. In his painting of the "Orthodox Church, Bryte", his strong values of light and dark shades is strengthened by leaving the sparkle of the watercolor paper to provide a dramatic contrast. Sokolich uses stronger colors in her rendition of the church called "Women Bearing Myrrh." David Kahn is a strong painter and his "Harbor View" depicts the shapes and colors of the Port in an architectural way with bright colors and a fluid design.

Mae Delle Leino emphasizes

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Obituaries

Juan Gabriel Maciel-Diaz

Juan Gabriel Maciel-Diaz, aged 2, died in Sacramento on January 15, 2000. He was the beloved son of Erika Diaz & Juan Gabriel Maciel of West Sacramento and the dear brother of Jose & Lionel Maciel. He was also the sweet grandson of Ramona Gaytan & Jose Maciel and Maria Flores & Jose Diaz, all in Mexico, and the loving nephew of Eva & Alejandro Gonzalez of West Sacramento, Elvira & Jose Rios of North Sacramento, Lucy & Jose Diaz of New York, Yolanda Cabrea of New York, and Israel Maciel of West Sacramento.

Services for Juan Gabriel were held at Holy Cross Church on Monday, January 24, 2000. Interment at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Jane B. Gillen

Jane B. Gillen died in West Sacramento on January 16, 2000. She was a retired Executive Secretary for the City of Los Angeles for 20 years, a West Sacramento resident for 21 years, and a member of the Anna Street Baptist Church. She was also a dear friend and will be missed by Pastor Norman Pollit.

A Memorial Service will be held for Jane on Saturday, January 29, 2000 at 11:00 a.m. in the Anna Street Baptist Church, 1400 Anna Street in West Sacramento.

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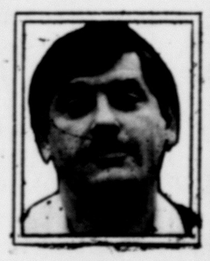
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SPORTS

Sports Insider: The winner of the Super Bowl will be

By Richard Novoa

The stage is set for Super Bowl XXXIV as the city of Atlanta prepares to host the wild and crazy fans of two cities that have never reached the ultimate football contest. The Tennessee Titans (formerly the Houston Oilers) defeated the Jacksonville Jaguars 33-14 and secured the first Super Bowl berth in their team history. The Oilers moved to Tennessee in 1997 and played in Memphis while their new 67,000-seat stadium was being built in Nashville. The Titans were playing as the AFC wildcard team won three games on the road as big underdogs. Now they head to Atlanta as 9 ½ points underdogs against the high scoring St. Louis Rams.

The Titans should end up with more fans that St. Louis being that Atlanta is only a four-hour drive from Tennessee. The Rams, who have a long team history that includes playing in Cleveland and Los Angeles, are returning to the Super Bowl after 21 years. The Rams lost to the Steelers in Super Bowl XIV in 1979 after beating Tampa Bay 9-0 in the NFC Championship game. The Rams and Buccaneers repeated history this year when the Rams outlasted the Bucs 11-6 in a game dominated by two good defenses. The crowd at the Trans World Dome played a major factor in the Rams victory over the young Buccaneers offense. Another major factor for the Rams is they play well indoors on artificial turf, and are 10-0 this season indoors including a 41-13 whipping they put on the Falcons at the Georgia Dome.

Do you think the Georgia Dome was named after the Rams owner?

I picked both winners in last weeks Championship games assuring myself of a winning season and improving my record to 31 wins, 24 losses and 1 tie. The Titans not only covered the spread but they beat the Jags for the third time this season, while the Bucs defense covered the ridiculous 14 points the odds makers gave the Rams.

This years Super Bowl game will be televised on ABC television that will charge advertisers up to $2.2 million for 30 seconds. According to A.C. Nielsen figures the top seven most-watched television programs in history are Super Bowls with Super Bowl XXX between Dallas and Pittsburgh the highest rated game.

Well, here goes my last NFL prediction of the season - Super Bowl XXXIV.

The Titans (+9 ½) are not getting any respect with the odds makers in Las Vegas. The Rams (15-3), who enter the big game with the third highest scoring team in NFL history, are expected to blowout the Memphis Miracle workers from Tennessee. The Rams scored 526 points in 16 games this season and have the NFL's Offensive Player of the Year Marshall Faulk, who set a record with 2,429 yards of total offense and the leagues MVP in Kurt Warner.

The Rams also averaged 33 points and 400 yards of offense per game. The Titans on the other hand use the 46 defense that was made famous by Super Bowl XX champion Chicago Bears. Tennessee's defensive plan includes about 50 blitzes that head coach Jeff Fisher learned under Buddy Ryan and those 1985 Bears. I expect the Titans to put pressure similar to what Tampa Bay did to Rams QB Kurt Warner. For three consecutive weeks the Titans defense has shut down three good quarterbacks in Johnson (Buffalo), Manning (Colts) and Brunell (Jags) and allowing them and average of 15 points a game. They are going make Warner work hard on every down and for every yard he gains. By the way, in case of injury do you know who is Warmers backup at QB? It's Paul Justin, who had a little QB experience with the Colts.

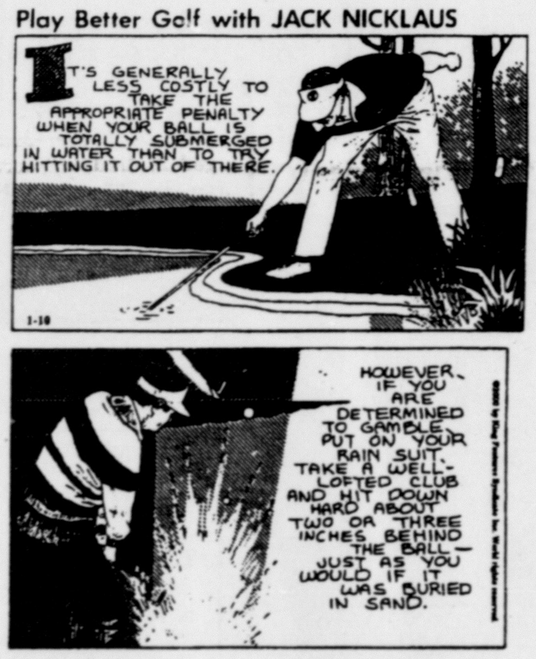
The Titans on the other hand have two very good quarterbacks in Steve McNair and Neil O'Donnell, who played in Super Bowl XXX for Pittsburgh. The Titans will keep the score close and could very easily win this game outright. The AFC (14 wins) is closing the gap on the NFC (19 wins) and is on a two game roll with the Broncos' back-to-back victories. The Titans have a new name, uniforms, city and a new stadium to put their new Super Bowl trophy. Also, did I mention that Tennessee beat the Rams already this season 24-22. Take the points and the under score, Final Score - Tennessee 24 - St. Louis 23.

The Sacramento Kings (25-13) lost a 106-103 heartbreaker to the Utah Jazz before a sold-out crowd and a large national TV audience last Saturday at the Arco. The Kings season will start to take shape in the next two weeks as the head east and they don't return to the friendly confines of the Arco Arena until February 8th against the Bulls. As we approach the mid-season, the Kings open a very important long eight game road trip on Tuesday night in Charlotte (5 p.m.-TNT) followed by a Wednesday game in Miami. They will play in Chicago on Friday and then face the New York Knicks on the NBC game of the week (9 a.m.- ch. 3) on Super Bowl Sunday. What a great day to have a Super Bowl party!

See ya next week!!



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New local baseball team offers job opportunities to city

A new team and a new ballpark are coming to the Sacramento region, and if you're the right person, a new job is coming along with them as River City Stadium Management and Raley Field, the home of the Sacramento River Cats, opens hiring for 500 event staff positions Jan. 24th.

With Raley Field nearing completion in West Sacramento, the River Cats are looking for enthusiastic, dedicated individuals to work at baseball games, concerts and other events at the riverfront ballpark. The positions include jobs in guest services, ticket operations, concessions, building operations, parking operations, suites/hospitality, team merchandise and culinary. Most of the jobs are part-time and seasonal, lasting from April-October.

The 11,000 seat Raley Field will be home to the first professional baseball team to represent Sacramento in more than 24 years. The newly named River Cats, who won the 1999 Triple-A World Series last year, are currently the best selling team in Minor League Baseball with more than 5,000 season tickets sold so far.

For applications and specific job listings, those interested can stop by the River Cats office at 1001 Second Street in Old Sacramento. Information is also available through a Job Hotline at 319-4783, but applications will not be mailed. River City Management is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

For more information on the River Cats, visit the team's Web site at www.rivercats.com.

Sports Quiz
by Chris Richcreek

1. Which five players were added by a special panel to baseball's All Century Team, announced in 1999?
2. Who is the only two-time winner of the National League Championship Series MVP award?
3. Which college football head coach tops the list for all-time bowl appearances?
4. Who was named the NBA Coach of the Year last season?
5. Wayne Gretzky and Gordie Howe are No. 1 and No. 2 in career points scored in the NHL. Who is No. 3?
6. How many times has the United States captured the most medals at the Summer Olympics?
7. Who has won the women's singles championship at tennis' French Open the most times?

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CITY: boat permits to apply to port waters

From page one

Mayor Christopher Cabaldon of West Sacramento reports that the new ordinance, which involves the issuance of permits by the police department, will also apply to waters at the Port of Sacramento in this city.

"My understanding is it applies to all the waterways in the city," he said. "The port, as I understand it, doesn't have general policing authority. The city does."

A number of boats regularly anchor at the port's West Sacramento turning basin. Presumably, the police department will now be able to inspect them and "evict" any which pose a pollution threat or other hazard.

In a separate matter, the council approved the $18,000 sign (which includes a city logo and the words "Welcome to the City of West Sacramento") as part of a program to place welcome signs at various "gateways" to the city.

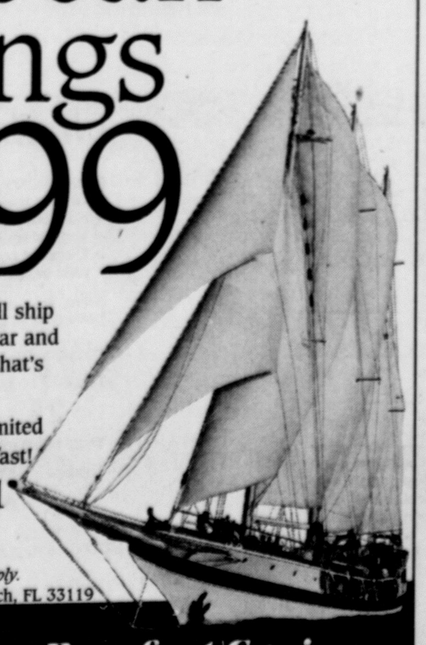
This one will go on the northwest corner of Park and Jefferson.

SEND YOUR local sports results to:
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1999-2000 River City High School Boys' Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Nov. 23	Foothill	Away	7:00
Nov. 30	Christian Bros.	Away	7:15
Dec. 1-4	Argonaut Tourn.	Away	TBA
Dec. 7	Rio Linda	Home	7:00
Dec. 13	Folsom	Home	7:00
Dec. 15-17	Folsom Tourn.	Away	TBA
Dec. 22	Vanden	Home	7:00
Dec. 27-30	Marin Tourn.	Away	TBA
Jan. 4	Golden Sierra	Away	7:00
Jan. 6	Lindhurst	Home	7:00
Jan. 11	Lincoln	Away	7:00
Jan. 13	Marysville	Home	7:00
Jan. 18	Colfax	Home	7:00
Jan. 20	Mesa Verde	Away	7:00
Jan. 26	Encina	Home	7:00
Jan. 28	Golden Sierra	Home	7:30
Feb. 2	Lindhurst	Away	7:00
Feb. 4	Lincoln	Home	7:30
Feb. 9	Marysville	Away	7:00
Feb. 11	Colfax	Away	7:30
Feb. 16	Mesa Verde	Home	7:00
Feb. 18	Encina	Away	7:30

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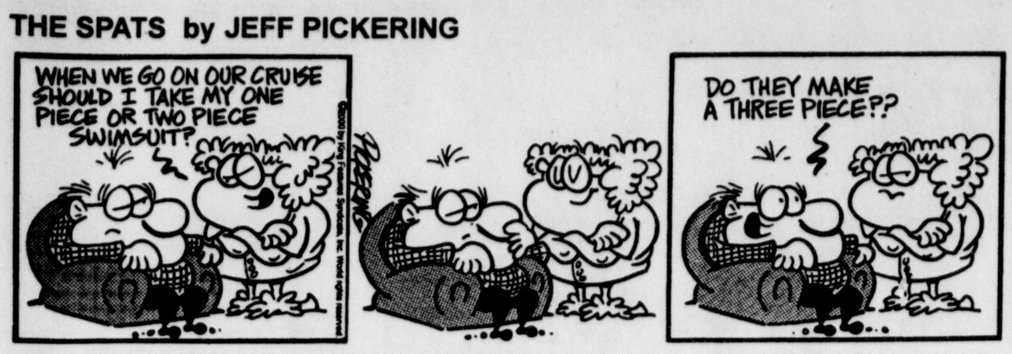
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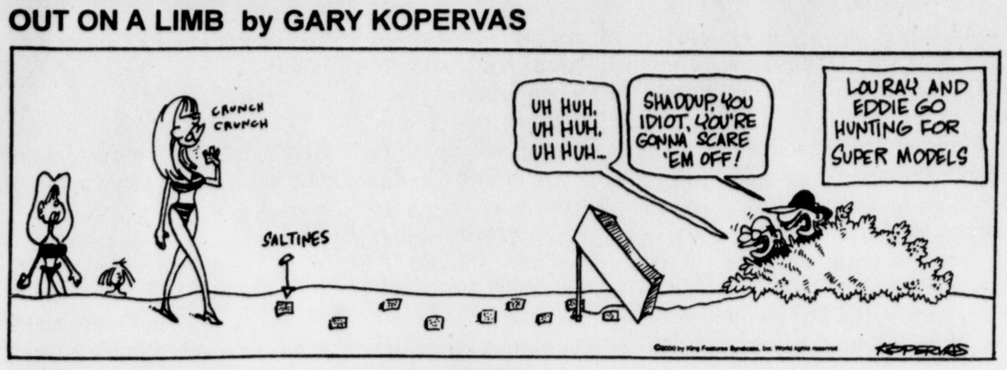
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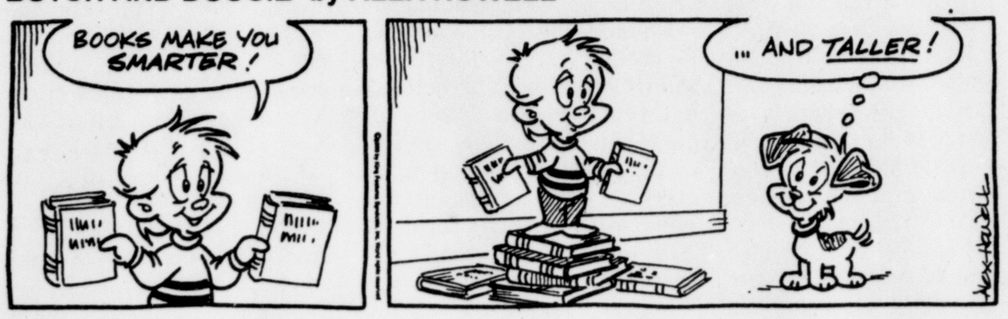
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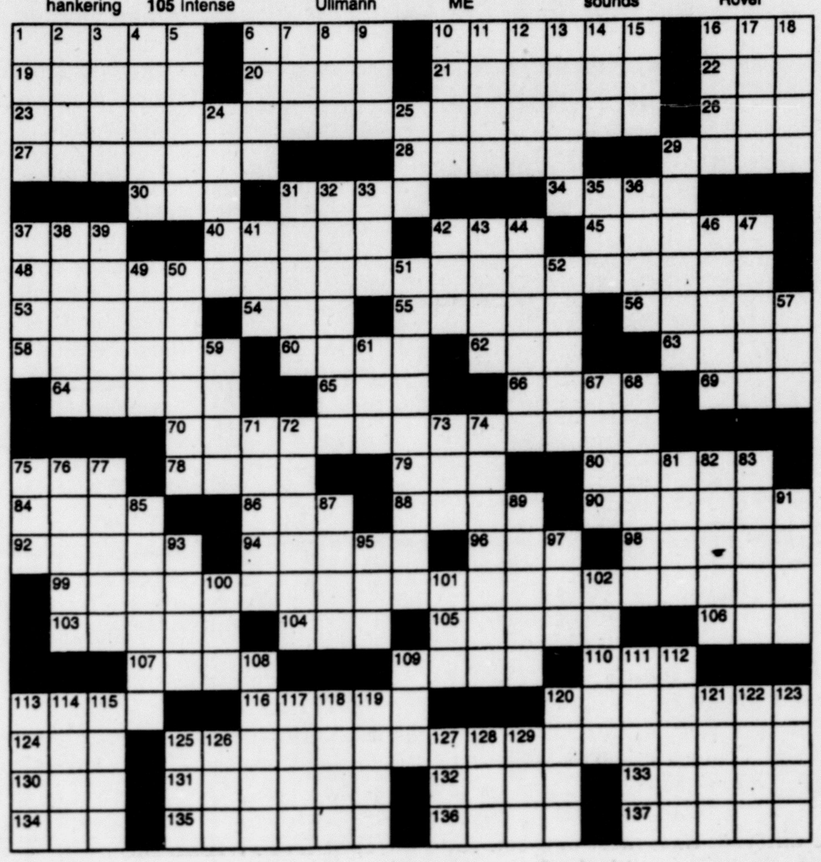
Super Crossword

ACROSS

1 A lot
6 Bungle
10 Makes a touchdown
16 Hen's hubby
19 Deck type
20 Ford or Grey
21 Frolic
22 Poster abbr.
23 Start of a remark by Jack Simmons
26 Distant
27 Expensive appetizer
28 Common contraction
29 Charon's river
30 Wallach or Whitney
31 Moore of "G.I. Jane"
34 Writer Paretsky
37 Actor Tremayne
40 Hangs tinsel
42 Command to Fido
45 Cries like a baby
48 Part 2 of remark
53 React to a pun
54 Enthusiast
55 "Dallas" matriarch
56 Lummoxlike
58 Had a hankering
60 Mister, in Munich
62 Architect's add-on
63 Harness part
64 Radio and TV
65 Duncan's denial
66 "— a Song Go Out of My Heart" ('38 tune)
69 — Bank, NJ
70 Part 3 of remark
75 HST's successor
78 On the briny
79 Service charge
80 Disconcert
84 Cubist Rubik?
86 Business abbr.
88 Starchy tuber
90 Moved like a mouse
92 — del Sol
94 Teatime treat
96 Tachometer meas.
98 Lawn ornament
99 Part 4 of remark
103 Lots of laughter
104 JFK lander
105 Intense
106 Vane letters
107 Tend the garden
109 Pipe part
110 Cry of discovery
113 Spanish dance
116 Allen's partner
120 Passed into law
124 — Baba
125 End of remark
130 — Buddhism
131 Lunar spacecraft
132 Skater Heiden
133 Kovacs or Pyle
134 Actress Caldwell
135 Scrimshaw material
136 Mr. Walesa
137 Cassandra and Merlin

DOWN

1 Fountain order
2 Nursery furniture
3 Alan of "California Suite"
4 Holmes' creator
5 Reel
6 Take off
7 Tyler or Ullmann
8 Colorado native
9 Saloon
10 Trauma aftermath
11 Spelunker's spot
12 It bakes the cake
13 Alex Haley book
14 Directional suffix
15 Sault — Marie, MI
16 27th president
17 All right
18 Chico or Karl
24 Textbook headings
25 "Bali —"
29 Finn's friend
31 See 91 Down
32 Distinguished
33 Flavor enhancer: abbr.
35 Honest name
36 Durban dough
37 Word form for "study"
38 — Zimbalist, Jr.
39 Rock's — Poneys
41 Ring official
42 Missouri airport abbr.
43 Presque —, ME
44 Dimly illuminated
46 Solitary sort
47 "Wake Up Little —" ('57 hit)
49 Card collection
50 Silverware city
51 From now on
52 Opening remark?
57 Wrap up
59 Place to pontificate
61 Unrefined
67 "Gracious me!"
68 Trinidad's neighbor
71 Voltaire, for one
72 Reagan and Wilson
73 Teachers' org.
74 O'Hara's "From the —"
75 Cal. page
76 Sag
77 Follow
81 "New Yorker" cartoonist
82 Tend a fire
83 Macho types
85 Canada's capital
87 Dovecote sounds
89 Soporific substance
91 With 31 Down, '58 Frankie Avalon hit
93 Qualified
95 Squirrel's snack
97 "The A-Team" actor
100 Manipulate
101 Toque or tam
102 Hotelier Helmsley
108 Salivate
109 Silly Caesar
111 Basketball's Elvin
112 Paint pigment
113 "All That —" ('79 film)
114 Toast topper
115 Prong
117 Eye appreciatively
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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OPINION

News-Ledger Editorial

OK, now what?

Let's understand one thing: all five members of the local school board mean well, and truly want to serve the best interests of local students. They are compensated little for those efforts, and deserve some appreciation for it.

With that point made, it also needs to be recognized that the current administration of the W.U.S.D. does not conduct itself in a very businesslike way. One (and just one) yardstick with which to measure this management competence is the state's Brown Act, which is designed to help keep public meetings public. The *News-Ledger* has reported a number of violations of this state law by the school district in recent months, ranging from the awfully obvious to the tediously mundane. Taken together, these mistakes show a pattern of disregard for the law -- not conspiracy, just disregard. This shouldn't be tolerated, either by the public or by any of the five members of the school board or by their superintendent.

Most recently, this newspaper pointed out that the school board's president conferred privately with two other board members before making a decision, also privately, on how to proceed with the investigation of a complaint against the superintendent. Two board members who would perhaps have preferred to handle the matter in a different way were left out of the discussion. This is clearly against the law, and the board president (who has argued the delicacies of the Brown Act in these very pages) ought to have known better. Nevertheless, let's assume it was an honest mistake; the other choice is that it was intentional and therefore a misdemeanor.

The latest incident and several of the others have created animosity between the two factions of the school board. Both factions have their share of responsibility for how we have gotten to this point. Yet the question remains, how does the district proceed from here?

It seems that the first step towards improving the trust and effectiveness among the district's top management is to begin to ask not only what is the "right" thing to do according to one's own desires and political persuasion, but also what is the right way to do it. How is the district to be managed, in a situation rife with distrust?

The answer begins with a commitment to follow the rules; to allow all five school board members a part in the decision-making process and to allow the public to monitor this process. When the process goes astray, any mistake should be promptly acknowledged, corrected and learned from.

Laws and school board policy should not be circumvented. The ends should not justify the means. If administrators and board members cheat the system in order to achieve their ends (no matter how noble they believe these ends), the result will be yet more factionalism and more dysfunction.

Let's get back to a businesslike model of management where, even if all parties do not agree on the final result, at least all parties have a chance to participate in the road to that result.

A good starting point is a look at whether either the law or school board policy were violated in the district's recent handling of the citizen's complaint against the superintendent, and a dispassionate analysis of how to correct any of these mistakes. There's no need for blame or recrimination; just a commitment to stay on the high road.

Letters to the Editor

Auditor-Controller office needs help

This letter is in regard to the Yolo County office of Auditor-Controller located in Woodland, CA.

The County office of Auditor-Controller has responsibility for a great number of action items that affect the average citizen. One of which is the timely dispersing of overpaid property tax money.

On 11-19-99, due to a change in my disabled veteran status, I filed for a change in my property tax exemption.

Today, 01-20-00, I called the above office in order to find the status of the change and refund. The automated telephone system they have is really a little different than most of them. One part of it gives you a menu with the first names and extensions of about eight or nine lady's that, I guess, work in the office. In my own mind I am thinking this is not a call for a date, but a business call. The system does not give a clue to what, if any, areas of responsibility these lady's may or may not have. On the bright side you can press O for operator and get someone who maybe can direct your call to someone who can answer your question. No such luck. The voice that talked to me said she remembered seeing the name on a paper but someone else had the paper. The voice said these things usually took about two months. I said it has been two months. The voice gave me another extension to call and maybe that person could answer my question and anyway, if I did not hear from the office in a couple of more weeks to call back. I said thank you and hung up. What a complete waste of time, I got the distinct impression that the left hand in that office does not know what the right hand is doing and sure don't seem to care.

I have no idea who runs that office, but in my humble opinion that person should be fired, the staff in that office retrained or replaced, the automatic telephone system brought up to today's business standards. (Not everyone knows the first name and function of each member of the staff).

If the County Grand Jury is looking for inefficiency, they have a gold mine here.

WILLIAM E. WILLIAMS
West Sacramento

Thanks!

Yolo Family Service Agency would like to acknowledge Judge Donna Petre for her encouragement and consistent support of the Kids' Turn program, which is a series of educational workshops for children and parents of families who have experienced divorce or separation.

Specifically, we would like to thank Judge Petre for volunteering her time to be part of the Kids' Turn program. The Kids' Turn children's curriculum provides an opportunity for children ages 7-14 to meet with a family court judge and ask questions or express ideas and concerns related to their specific parenting plans, or about the role family court plays in their family.

Children attending Kid's Turn stated that their visit with Judge Petre was one of the things they liked most about Kids' Turn. As one participant said, "the Judge's visit was really great!"

SALLY SNELL & BETH KAFFKA
Yolo Family Service Agency

Bus information

Beginning with February 2, 2000, the West Sacramento City Council meetings will be held at the former Social Security Office on Halyard Drive off Harbor Blvd, which is south of Business 80/ Hwy. 50.

But the icing on the cake for bus riders is that beginning January 24, 2000, we will have a total of 11 YoloBuses #40 and #41 serving the Industrial area, at least for weekdays. (This was confirmed by a phone call to YoloBus in Woodland, although I did not ask for details such as departure and return times. Maybe these will be known by press time.) Such service will fill an important void: Not only will fewer jobs go begging from the area, but we will also have what sounds like fairly decent service for our temporary City Hall and our Sacramento City College extension.

While it is sad to see taxpayers being robbed by the vandalism on Stone Blvd., it is also encouraging to see City Staff and YoloBus rebound from the financial and social wounds. And, yes, folks, like myself will still attend City Council meetings.

WILLIAM A. LOWELL
West Sacramento

In local government

Trustees of the Washington Unified School District will meet on Thursday, Jan. 27, in open session at 7 p.m., at Evergreen Elementary School, 919 Westacre Rd.

Agenda items include recognition of gifts to the district, a curriculum report from Evergreen, bargaining unit updates, approval of E-Rate Project Bids, approval of supplemental early retirement program, approval of job description for maintenance and grounds supervisor, approval of contract for coordinated compliance review consultant, approval of job description for health clerk, summary of major purchase orders, approval of permissive installment payments, credential authorization to teach English language learners, a regulation for Inter District Attendance and for residency based on parent guardian employment;

1989-99 audit report; consideration of an appeal regarding a bus stop on Rice and Glide; reimbursement of capital project expenditures from bond proceeds; budget revisions; and various personnel actions.

One of the agenda items is the approval of a job description for a new maintenance supervisor position which formed the middle of a school board controversy late last year. The board will be asked to approve the job description at Thursday's meeting, although interviews have been conducted and district staff will ask for the appointment of a new person to fill the position at the same meeting.

The school district is also considering a Monday evening meeting for the school board to discuss bond issues, but an agenda is not yet available. According to school board minutes, the board had requested a special workshop with the school bond expenditures oversight committee. Call 375-7600 for information.

A community meeting will be held for Prodica (formerly Unocal), a local plant making and storing ammonia-based fertilizer products, at 7 p.m. on Thursday at community room "B" at the county services center, 500 B Jefferson Blvd. The company will present the results of the Risk Management Plan for the facility, as required by law. West Sacramento fire department representatives will be on hand to answer questions. As a courtesy, the company requests that those planning on attending call Jeff Grussing at 375-6111.

West Sacramento's Economic Development Advisory Commission will meet at 6 p.m. at the West Sacramento Senior Center, 664 Cummins Way. The agenda will include election of new officers.

A city representative reports that West Sacramento's interim city hall site at 1350 Halyard Dr. is being modified so that city council meetings can be held there -- perhaps as early as Feb. 2. The city moved into the site when its rented quarters at 2101 Stone Blvd. were damaged by vandals.

The city council has not decided whether to keep city hall at the Halyard Dr. location until the new civic center is completed at West Capitol and Merkley avenues next year. Originally, officials planned to move city hall back to the damaged Stone Blvd. facility for the remainder of that interim period.

The Washington Unified School District will hold a meeting at 3 p.m. tomorrow (Jan. 27) at the River City High School library.

The purpose of the meeting will be to receive public input on planned new construction at the high school.

Among those present will be representatives of Nacht & Lewis Architects, in charge of designing the project.

For information, call 375-7690.



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INDEPENDENT-LEADER

WASHINGTON NEWS ITEMS

The Sacramento River registered four feet five inches, United States gauge at the Southern Pacific bridge yesterday. This was a raise of one foot three inches since the reading taken a week ago and was brought on principally by the rain of Sunday and Monday. The rainfall thus far this year is 1.93 inches short of normal, which should be at least 3.92 inches.

G. Eckhardt is the latest addition to the population of Westgate, having moved his family into their new home there yesterday. The Eckhardt family came from Sacramento.

All homes completed so far in Westgate have been occupied by new owners since notice of completion was filed with the recorder in Woodland. Several homes are being finished and will be ready for occupancy within the next two weeks, while many others are being constructed according to plans and specifications gotten up by owners.

J. P. McAnulty has been in the southern part of the state during the past week but is expected home to headquarters today. He has been spending a good deal of his time between San Francisco and Los Angeles, straightening up matters of business in those localities.

Last Tuesday, with the north wind quickly drying the precipitation of the two previous days' rainfall, farmers in the West Sacramento district started plowing with a rush. While several sections had been turned over previously with tractors, the ground was very dry and unfit for cultivation. This has all been harrowed already and in many places seed grain has been sown and is already sprouted. General activity has been noted on the part of the farmers of the district and several places that had been planted to alfalfa are being turned over for more remunerative crops.

Al Partridge, with five of his friends, left the West Side Auto Camp last Wednesday evening for the shooting grounds near Willows. The party is after ducks, and all of them being noted hunters, they expect to bring back the limit in every case. Several of Partridge's friends who have been hearing his hunting stories are anxiously awaiting his return, expecting he will make good this trip.

At the West Sacramento Auto Exchange operated by J. N. Carroll, L. A. Brown has taken the place of Denny Cooney, familiarly known as "Mickey." In the last issue of the Independent, "Mickey" was given a little history for the first time in his life, and to say that he was proud of it is talking mildly. He got sore at the notoriety brought him by the Independent and decided to take up his old job of jockey at the Tia Juana races. Brown has none of Mickey's propensities and has decided to stay with Carroll until the cows come home.

F. M. Doyle, of the firm of Fraser & Doyle, has recovered to such an extent that he is again able to be around attending to his business. Close friends of Doyle declare that he made a short visit to San Francisco to provide refreshments for the holiday season and that the supply was so good it was over-tempting.

Tom Cornell, who has been engaged in the service station operated by Fraser & Doyle, has been laid up during the past week with a very severe cold.

Julius' Italian Restaurant, 303 J St. 75-cent chicken and ravioli dinner Sunday, 11 to 2 p. m., 5 o'clock on. Coolest dining room in Sacramento. (adv

Last Friday Traffic Officer H. R. Jacobs arrested T. T. Anderson of San Francisco on the state highway in West Sacramento for speeding. Anderson was making forty-five miles an hour on his way to a hunting club near Gridley. He was in a hurry to get there early so that he would get into a little game with the boys before bedtime and told Juge Barry that was the cause of his trouble. With this explanation Judge Barry decided to let him off with the light fine of $10, which was paid.

During the month of November Judge Barry tourned into the county treasury in Woodland the sum of $1437 which he collected in fines during the month. Most of the money was taken from Chinese who had been caught indulging in gambling games. For speeding and other misdemeanors less than $200 was collected by Judge Barry. All the rest was taken from Chinamen who pleaded guilty after being arrested on a charge of gambling. In Sacramento yesterday three Chinese, who had been arrested in a raid on a gambling joint at 300 I street by Chief of Police Koening and some of his men, were found "not guilty" by a jury. Gin Shin, Ong Shin and Dong Bow were acquitted by a jury in the police court. Seven others are yet to be tried but in all probability the cases against them will be dismissed because convicting evidence evidently cannot be produced. The Chinese fined by Judge Barry could have beaten their cases also but being unable to speak English they preferred to plead guilty and get away with a fine. There is just as much gambling going on in Sacramento as there is in Yolo ,but the Chinese refuse to contest the cases here and consequently stand for the fine.

Friday, November 27, in the brush outside the levee just north of Rocky Point, a Ford touring car was found by J. H. Stoutenberg completely stripped of everything removable. Wheels, carburetor, windshield, radiator cap, steering wheel, speedometer and everything that could be taken off was stolen. Constable Wilson has the auto in his charge waiting for the owner.

Last Saturday Albert Bonetti was approached by two strangers near his home on Fourth street to sell them some extras he had on his motorcycle and which they needed. He refused to make the sale because he expected to use the motorcycle any moment. That night the motorcycle was pushed out of his rear yard and nothing whatever of it has been heard since.

Mrs. C. Hart was reported to be confined to her bed yesterday with a severe cold but not of a serious character.

Mrs. Celia Hart entertained Saturday at luncheon with Mrs. Rose Hart of San Francisco, Mrs. Lois Simpson of Sacramento and Mrs. P. A. Hart of Washington as her guests.

Mr. and Mrs. I. K. Manchester motored Sunday to Weimar for a short stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sherman of Nevada, who have been visiting at the P. O. Van Deren and R. P. George homes, left Thursday for a visit in Sonora. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sherman of Oakland, who have visited with the same Washington families, also returned home Thursday.

Charles Hicks of Vallejo was a visitor Wednesday night at the A. A. Dassonville home, where Mrs. Hicks is residing temporarily.

Blair Manchester came Wednesday from Berkeley to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. K. Manchester, until next Monday.

C. H. Williams, who formerly lived here, returned to Seaside after a few days' visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Arey of Oakland are spending a short while here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Butlers returned to their home in Angels Camp

TASTY FOOD

UNTIMELY DEATH OF MRS. HAYWARD REED A GREAT LOSS

In the prime of young womanhood, with all the attributes of motherhood, with a young family of seven children, and with a comfortable home and an attentive husband, Mrs. Hayward Reed died last Saturday at the Sutter Hospital in Sacramento following childbirth.

Surrounded with all the care a fond husband could give her and carressed by the tender fingers of her young children, she passed out leaving a heavy burden on her husband.

Mrs. Reed had been taken to the hospital for the birth of a young son. Following the ordeal she failed to recuperate and for several days lay in a comatose condition recovering consciousness only a short time before she died.

Seven children survive her, the oldest being less than 12 years of age.

Her funeral took place last Tuesday from the First Baptist Church in Sacramento where a beautiful requiem was preached by Rev. W. E. Storey of Esparto. Mr. and Mrs. Reed had been married by Rev. Story thirteen years ago.

After services had been completed at the church her remains were removed to East Lawn Cemetery where they were cremated according to her wishes.

The loss of Mrs. Reed will be felt particularly in her home where she was the light and the life of her husband and her family.

And it is not only in her home that she will be missed. Every neighbor in the little town of Riverbank will miss Mrs. Rose Reed. And they were at her funeral en masse to show their respect for her. And they covered her casket with a wilderness of flowers, a wilderness seldom equalled in this section of the state.

There wasn't a dry eye in the Baptist Church when Rev. Storey spoke words of praise and commendation over the remains of Mrs. Rose Mather Reed.

Her funeral procession, composed of every kind of vehicle that her neighbors owned, was more than three blocks in length. The rich and the poor, the high and the low, the lame and the blind and the halt went to the funeral of Mrs. Reed to show their respect for this wonderful mother. Only her little children, who were too young to appreciate their loss, had dry eyes.

In every undertaking that was calculated to benefit human kind Mrs. Reed had a hand. In everything that meant uplift and honesty and sobriety, Mrs. Reed was at the front, and although of tender raising she mixed alike with the good and the bad, the rich and the poor, the colored and the white.

Estimable as a woman, above the average as a mother, a worker in her home, a tender lecturer for good, an example in her community, she went to her early grave mourned by all who knew her but a terrible loss to her husband and her young children.

FIRE DEPARTMENT HAMPERED BY FURNITURE FROM THE GAMBLING HOUSES

The fire commissioners of Washington have been greatly incensed during the past week because of the fact that on last Sunday the district attorney of Yolo County and his stoolpigeons unloaded a truck load of tables, chairs and other paraphernalia in the town hall and obstructed the fire fighting apparatus of the fire department.

The material has been ordered moved and was taken out this morning so that no more kick remains. The fire commissioners will not permit any more obstructions of this character to be stored in the town hall.

BOOSTERS' CLUB FINDS FAULT WITH BUILDING OF SHACKS

At the meeting of the Washington Boosters' Club last Tuesday evening a communication was read from District Attorney Kern advising the club how the question of prevention of shack building should be taken up by the people of Washington.

This is a question of considerable weight with the property owners of the town because they consider it one of the greatest drawbacks that has come about within the last few years. Men of some means have come in and bought up vacant lots. On these lots they construct little buildings of two or three rooms, mere shacks, and from these shacks they receive a large revenue in rentals from bachelors, poor families and itinerants who come to stay for a while only and then find other places.

The class of people taking up these quarters are not considered the best. While the Boosters' Club considers that it is no sin to be poor and to economize in rentals, the fact remains that quarters of this kind are no credit to the community and are no ornament to the town.

No investor will come along and build next door to these locations and no family will erect a pretentious building in the neighborhood.

The question, therefore, before the Boosters' Club is what must be done to prevent the construction of any more buildings of this character?

The advice given by District Attorney Kern will start the club on the right road toward prevention.

The meeting next Tuesday night will be a gala affair. There will be a big feed provided by the ladies of the club and the Independent was requested to ask every member to be present on that occasion. The ladies of the club offered their services in notifying their neighbors that the meeting next Tuesday night will mean a practical re-assembling of all members of the Boosters' Club.

The club also desires to add more members, especially the property owners of the town. These are particularly asked to be present and join the club so that conditions referred to above may be bettered to some extent.

FUNERAL OF MRS. ANNA SILVA SATURDAY

Saturday morning the funeral of Mrs. Anna Silva will be held from the funeral home of Morris S. Daggett in Sacramento.

Requiem mass will be said in St. Elizabeth's Church at Twelfth and S streets, after which interment will take place in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Sacramento.

Mrs. Silva has been a resident of the West Sacramento district during the past eight years. South of Jefferson Station she and her husband established their home several years ago.

During the past year her health has been failing badly owing to the encroachment of declinnig years. She was 74 years of age.

She was the wife of John Silva, who survives her; mother of Mrs. Henry S. Fortado, Mrs. Anna Rogers, Manuel Silva, Mrs. Carrie Hougian, and the late John Silva.

Mrs. Silva has led a peaceful life of usefulness and motherhood. She believed in attending to her home and her family, seldom interfering with the affairs of others but always giving her entire attention to the duties imposed on her by her home and her family.

In the midst of her family and surrounded with every care she died last Wednesday, December 2d.

LOCAL YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED BY JUDGE BARRY

In the home of Joe Beltrami at Second and Harriett streets last Wednesday evening Adele Belli became the wife of Erminio Dalla Costa. They had secured a license at the county clerk's office in Woodland and when they appeared before Judge Barry they asked that their wedding ceremony be performed at the Beltrami home. The Judge was quite agreeable and adjourned immediately to the parlors of the Beltrami residence.

Dalla Costa gave his age as 33 years and his bride as 20 years. Both are residents of Washington and intend to make their home here.

The witnesses to the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beltrami.

BAZAAR TO HELP BRYTE CHURCH SLATED FOR DECEMBER 19TH

Work on the $6000 Bryte Community Presbyterian Church is to be rushed so that the bazaar of that group may be held there on Saturday, December 19. Ground for the building was broken on Friday, on the site which was originally bought by the Bryte Improvement Club for a community hall and was donated by the club to the church organization. The date of the bazaar was postponed from December 5 in order that it might be held in the new church.

FUNERAL OF MRS. AZEVEDO IS HELD AT FREEPORT

Freeport, Nov. 28.—Final rites were held here today for Mrs. Mary Azevedo, resident of the Freeport district for more than forty years who died Thursday in Clarksburg following an illness of twenty years' duration.

GAS MAINS FOR WESTGATE REACH RAILROAD CROSSING

A force of about twenty men has been busy during the past week extending gas mains from the pipe line that runs to Woodland from Sacramento to the townsite of Westgate, or what was formerly known as West Sacramento.

Already the extension has been made as far as the crossing of the San Francisco-Sacramento Short Line immediately in front of headquarters. This main will be extended down the highway beyond the Seibert home and crossing the roadway at that point will reach all the new homes in the district.

Every resident of the district has already signed to use a supply of gas for household purposes and those that are farther out have also expressed a willingness to use a supply if the mains can only be extended.

It is understood that the gas mains will be located on opposite sides of the streets in Westgate to where the water mains are located. This is being done so that there will be no conflict in case repairs might be needed.

It is estimated that the connections will be ready before the Christmas holidays.

MEETING NOTICES MAILED TO RESIDENTS OF WEST SACRAMENTO

Notices of the meeting which is to be held at West Sacramento headquarters tonight have been mailed to all residents and property owners of the West Sacramento district.

The purpose of the meeting is to form an organization or club that will have for its purpose the improvement of conditions in and around Westgate, West Sacramento and the West Sacramento farming district.

At a previous meeting held two weeks ago temporary officers were named but at the meeting tonight the election of permanent officers will take place.

A name will also be selected for the club and by-laws for the conduct of meetings will be submitted by a committee that was named two weeks ago.

The committee in charge of arrangements for the meeting tonight have promised that there will be refreshments for everybody after the meeting closes.



HOW about that ailing board on your front portico—better fix it up, eh? Whatever small lumber you want can be purchased here for a small sum of money. After the job is done you'll get a million dollar's worth of satisfaction out of it.

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G. A. HENRYE IS NOW DISTRICT MANAGER FOR GENERAL PETROLEUM

With the appointment of L. C. Wesley to the position of district manager in Fresno, G. A. Henrye takes up the position of resident agent for the General Petroleum Corporation in West Sacramento.

Plans of the corporation are undergoing a new formation at the present time and on that account Mr. Wesley, who has been located here during the past three months, has been moved to Fresno to fill the position of resident agent there.

Mr. H. A. Dudley, who was formerly resident agent in West Sacramento, has taken up his duties in the general office of the corporation in Los Angeles.

Mr. Henrye is no stranger in this locality. He has been a resident of Sacramento during the past six years and has a wide acquaintanceship in the gasoline and oil supply business.

Formerly he was engaged in the manufacture of tractors but during the past few years he has been in the oil supply business.

As resident agent for the General Petroleum Corporation he fits into the position to which he has been appointed with a good deal of grace.

RAID ON GAMBLING JOINT NETS COUNTY $625.00

Raiding a gambling joint on the premises owned by John Grote, a mile north of Washington, last Saturday night, District Attorney George T. Kern and five stoolpigeons arrested five Chinamen and also took up several tables and other furniture supposed to be used in gambling.

The raid was started about 9 p. m. and when Judge Barry got through at the court house the midnight hour was just tolling.

A warrant had been secured by the district attorney on the information brought in by the stoolpigeons. Besides Kern there were also present at the raid Clarence Simpkins, a Woodland drayman; L. A. Palm and B. M. Fountain.

The Chinese arrested gave their names as Ah Lee, Chin Mon Ling, Ah Hoy, F. Gee and M. Ah.

When brought before Judge Barry they were arraigned immediately and deposited cash bail of $125 each for their appearance on Monday, December 30.

When they appeared before Judge Barry on Monday they all pleaded guilty and were fined $125 each.

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The Review

Inside: Students and teachers share pet peeves

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Briefs

Mock Trial needs sketch artist

Mock Trial is looking for a courtroom sketch artist. The artist would sit in or near the jury box and sketch the court proceedings. The artist will not have to go all the practices but must appear at the courtroom proceedings in February. Please see Mr.O'Connor in room 45 for details.

By Ivy Branaman

UC Davis hosting college night

The Early Academic Outreach Program (EAOP) of UC Davis will be hosting a college night for all 9th and 10th graders and their parents on Feb. 23 from 6:30 to 8 pm. The meeting will be held to give information on what classes to take here at River City to prepare for college. Financial aid will also be discussed.

Any freshman or sophomore interested in learning more about how to prepare for college is encouraged to attend. For more information, see Mr. Cale in the counseling office.

By Shelley Tuttle

Contributions welcome for exchange students

February 12, River City Students will say," Bon jour" to the French foreign exchange students. They are coming to visit from St. Malo and will be here for their winter break. They will be staying with Mrs. Hocker, Jennifer Bellflower, Megan George, Misty Hocking, Justin and Jeremiah Hunt, Jessica McCurdy, Danielle Myers, Terri Tellez, Shelly Tuttle, and Courtney Usrey, volunteering families in West Sacramento who will house the students.

Mrs. Connolly welcomes any contributions as in tax-deductible donations of cash for field trips or "tokens" for gift bags. To contact Mrs. Connolly ASAP, please call her voice mail at 375-7604-7893.

By Haley Moore

Valentine dance coming soon

All of RC's high school sweethearts will be dancing the night away with their special valentines on Friday, Feb. 11, at the Valentine's Dance, from 8-12 pm in the cafeteria. The price is $3 with an ASB sticker and $5 without. The dress code is like Winter Ball, the more casual side of semi-formal. Photographers will be available to take pictures of you and your one-and-only. Guest passes will also soon be available to pick up in the office.

By Coty A. Marshall

Battle it out with the battle of the sexes

Men vs. women, Mars vs. Venus, testosterone vs. estrogen, leather vs. lace, scrubs vs. pigeons, "y" vs. "x." Guys and girls will go head-to-head in fierce competition with the battle of wits and brawn at RC's Battle of the Sexes rally.

Guys, show your male pride by wearing blue, and, ladies, show your girl glory by wearing pink to this full-blown war, which will decide the official gender of the year. The last Battle of the Sexes rally of the millennium will be held on Friday, Feb. 11, in the gym during period 7. The rally will conclude at 2:45.

By Coty A. Marshall

Parking permits big issue at RC

By Jennifer Fiddler
Co-Editor

Parking permits, parking permits! It seems like that's all we heard about on the morning announcements for awhile. Now they have become a reality. Enforcement began on January 25.

Students are definitely divided on the topic. Denise Lee, a senior, said, "Parking permits are stupid. They are a waste of time and money." On the other hand senior Jennifer Gibb said, "I think parking permits are a good idea. Now if someone hits my car in the parking lot I know that they will be paying for the damage, because you have to have insurance to get a parking permit."

According to Mr. Geivett parking permits are "a safety issue." Mr. Geivett said, "The faculty has brought up the idea of parking permits on several different occasions." By issuing parking permits the administration will know who is supposed to be on campus and who shouldn't be there.

Mr. Geivett also commented, "The decision to issue parking permits happened early this year. It was an idea that had been kicked around for awhile, and now it is being put into play." And to all of you that won't get your driver's license until the spring, there is no need to worry. Mr. Geivett explained, "Students will absolutely be able to apply for a parking permit anytime throughout the remainder of the year."

Consequences for not having your parking permit displayed in your car include the following: citation, fine, and having your car towed away at your expense. Mr. Geivett said, "People that are repeatedly defiant, parking where they are not supposed to, even after numerous warnings, could face suspension. And if the problem continues, a student may even face expulsion."

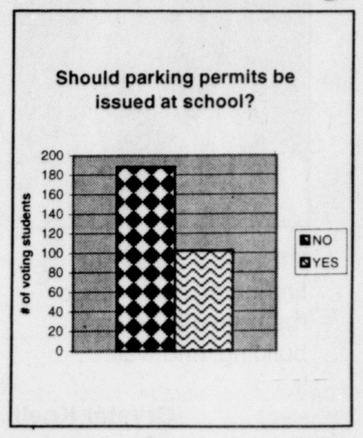
The problem may be more than just how the students park. Mr. Geivett said that we have simply "out-grown" our parking lot. So now the next step would be to enlarge the parking lot.

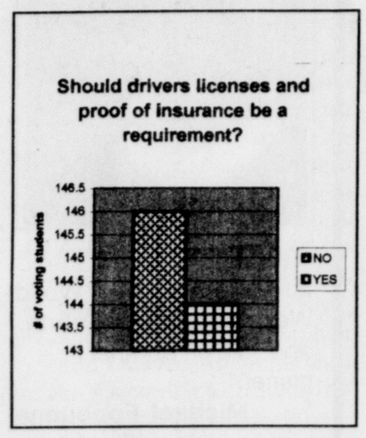
Two math students survey opinions on requiring permits to park at River City

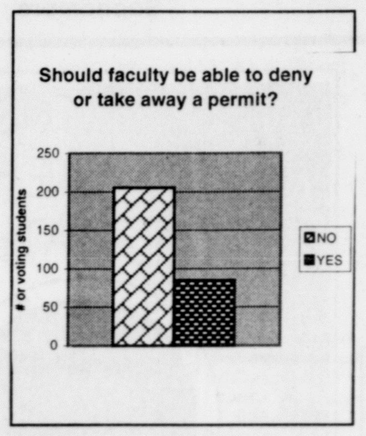
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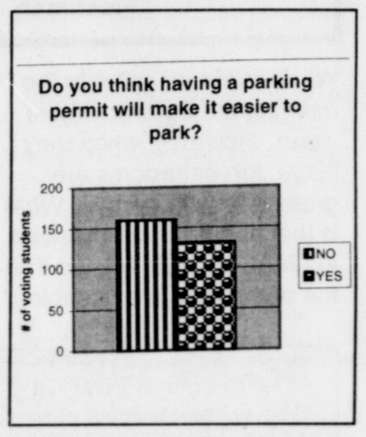
Parking permits seem to be the big thing to talk about lately. A recent survey done by statistics students Alana Stenback and Kim Minnis got the student body at River City a little concerned. The girls conducted their survey by randomly selecting students and asking them four basic questions: *Should parking permits be issued at school? Should drivers' licenses and proof of insurance be a requirement? Should faculty be able to deny or take away parking permits? Do you think having a parking permit will make it easier to find a place to park?*

Of 290 students surveyed, 188 did not want parking permits. Even though drivers' licenses, proof of insurance, and registration are already required by law in order to drive a car, requiring these items appeared to be the most controversial among the student body. 144 students replied that needing all of these should be a requirement for obtaining a parking permit, and 146 students said insurance and a drivers' license should not be a requirement.









Of the 290 students surveyed, 205 thought that the faculty should not be able to deny or take away permits.

Despite the number of people that were against having parking permits, 131 students thought having a permit would make it easier to find a place to park.

The *Review* confirmed that the research done by Alana Stenback and Kim Minis had nothing to do with the actual decision to issue parking permits.

Lyudmila Prokofyev Raider of the Month for December

By Ivy Branaman
Staff Writer

While many students at River City are thankful for a good grade, Lyudmila Prokofyev is thankful for each day. Just three months ago Lyudmila was diagnosed with leukemia (a type of cancer). Since her diagnosis, which she accepted calmly, she has received chemotherapy to treat her disease. Although Lyudmila has stopped attending school in order to fight her leukemia, she was voted December Raider of The Month.

Lyudmila, a sophomore, was born in Uzbekistan, Russia, in 1982. She immigrated to America just two years ago, for religious reasons. When Lyudmila first arrived in America she didn't know any English. However, through her classes and friends she is able to speak and understand most of the English language. This makes her knowledgeable in three languages: Russian, English, and German-which she took at school in Russia.

Lyudmila misses her friends and family in Russia and would like to return on a visit one day. In the meantime, she is glad to be in America.

What Lyudmila values most is "life for God." She considers herself a devout Christian and attends church every Sunday. Lyudmila believes that her faith in God, her family, and friends will help her through the tough time she's in.



Lyudmila Prokofyev
Raider of the Month

Lyudmila plans to attend Sacramento City College after she graduates from high school. She doesn't know what she wants to major in, but is sure that college is in her future. Lyudmila also enjoys playing tennis with her friends.

Lyudmila's courage is an inspiration to us all. In fact, Ms. De Corse, who nominated Lyudmila for Raider of the Month, said "She is an exemplary student who always has enthusiasm and [is] willing to share and help other students and teachers."

A special thanks to Ms. De Corse and Lilia Voronenko, the translator, for making this interview possible.

Ms. de Corse borrowed plane to visit boyfriends

By Coty A. Marshall
Staff Writer

"When I try to think of a better job, I can't."

You're not likely to hear that come out of a teacher's mouth. Maybe that's why Mrs. Decorse was chosen for Staff of the Month.

Mrs. DeCorse does enjoy her job. "I like teaching P.E. and I like teaching tennis," she said. "I like watching students improve. I'm happy when students take a real interest in learning to play tennis," she added.

Tennis is one of Mrs. DeCorse's hobbies. She started playing at age 27. "I've won more than 100 tennis tournaments," said Mrs. DeCorse with pride. "I stopped counting at 100."

Mrs. DeCorse attended Enterprise High School in Redding, where she played all of the sports, was on the yearbook staff, was a student body officer, and was president of the Girls Athletic Association.

At only 19, Mrs. DeCorse earned her pilot's license. Her dad owned a plane. "One of the neat things about that is my dad used to let me have the plane to go see my boyfriends in other towns," she said.

Mrs. DeCorse was awarded two tuition scholarships for college. She majored in physical education and earned a Bachelor of Science degree at Brigham Young University in 1967.

Mrs. DeCorse's first year of teaching was at Roseville High School. The rest of her teaching jobs have been in Washington Unified School District. "I've been in the district for 28 years," she stated.

Mrs. DeCorse's other hobbies are boating, jet skiing, raising irises and taking trips in her motor home. Last year, she and her husband went on an eight-week, 9000-mile tour of the United States. to Florida along the southern border, then back to California through the middle of the country.

At her home, Mrs. DeCorse raises irises. She has 200 different varieties. She says, "It's a lot of hard work, but I love it."

Mrs. DeCorse has two daughters; aged 27 and 29. She said gladly, "I don't have any grandkids yet. When you have grandkids, you're officially old."

Asked about her most embarrassing moment, Mrs. DeCorse laughed. "That incident cannot be published in a high school newspaper, but I have had my share of embarrassing moments."

In 1998, Mrs. DeCorse was named Secondary Teacher of the Year in Washington Unified School District. Another highlight in Mrs. DeCorse's life was when she had the privilege of being the pilot of the Good Year Blimp, not only once, but twice.

Although she didn't realize it at the time, Mrs. DeCorse says her parents influenced her the most. "My dad finished eighth grade and my mom graduated from high school. They did not let that limit their abilities, or mine, to achieve. They always had high expectations for me. The girls in the family were not saddled with just 'girl things.' I did not really know that boys always thought they were supposed to get their way until I started teaching. I have never limited boys or girls to perceived notions based on their sex; and that is one of my successes."

Class wins *Bee* stock market game

By Ivy Branaman
Staff Writer

Mr. McIntyre's Introduction to Business class was presented with the second place trophy and $75 in the Sacramento Bee Stock Market Game on December 14. Ron Brand, a Sacramento Bee representative, congratulated the class on their accomplishment and talked to them about their strategy.

The class entered the competition in September as The Stock Riders with 152 other teams in 23 different counties. Each team was given a hypothetical $10,000 to invest in the stock market. Stocks that were invested in included Iomega and Apple Computers. At the end of the game Mr. McIntyre's class walked away with a profit of $5,594.95, coming in second only after Cordova High School.

The class had a pizza party with the $75 that they won. "They did it on their own," Mr. McIntyre said of his award-winning class during the presentation.

Student Christopher Pagenkopf said, " We worked really hard as a class . I'm glad we got an award. . .the pizza party was great."

Editor's note:

Huy Truong was also named Raider of the Month for December. His profile will apear in the February issue

Mr. Watkins faces fear by holding shark

By Christian Lucero
Staff Writer

Mr. Watkins is one of the lucky teachers to be nominated as teacher of the month. "I really didn't expect it," he said. "It came on as kind of a surprise".

Mr. Watkins teaches five family life education classes this year. He has been teaching for five years and coaching for 11 years. Mr. Watkins decided to coach because he had a very good role model in high school football. Mr. Watkins says his coach was very inspiring and became friends with him not long after he got to know him. He also said that he will continue to so this until he retires or he doesn't enjoy it. When he was little he wanted to be a helicopter pilot for the military and fly an Apache.

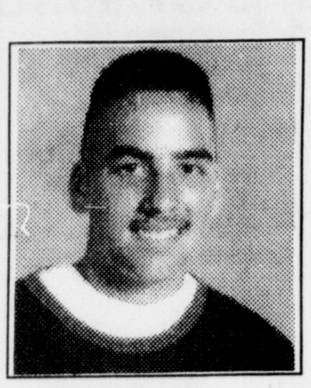
Mr. Watkins has been married for two years. "Getting married to

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Perspectives

Question in the Quad

For this, the first issue of the new year, *The Review* wanted River City students to think about the next century by asking them: What is your prediction for the next century? Most responses included annihilation or nothing at all. Here are the final four responses for this month.



"Technology will advance, we'll start World War III, destroy the earth, and live on another planet."

Michael Fonbuena
Freshman



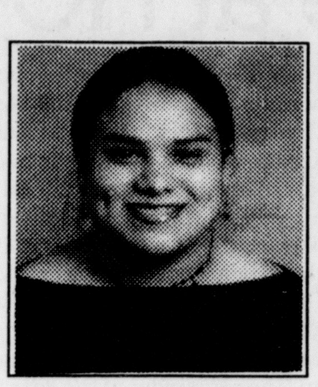
"I'll meet a really hot firefighter, he'll rescue me from a burning building, and well. . ."

Crystal Koell
Sophomore



" I think that there'll be flying cars and robots."

Tiffany Palmer
Junior



"We will evolve back to monkeys. I've already started, so. . ."

Attie Porras
Senior

When students arrive in the morning the bathrooms are clean. However, when they leave, the bathrooms are grotesque with germs. What is that about? Students need to **clean** up their acts so that the bathrooms are useable.



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It's the year 2000! With that in mind, we made predictions for the 21st century.

Canada and the U.S. become one

Within the next century Canada and America will become one country. Canada and America are already similar in most things including language, ideals, and culture. America is already protecting Canada and both countries share the largest unprotected border in the world. The countries get along.

With the Eurodollar America and Canada's union is the only hope we have of remaning the most powerful country in the world We have more similarities than differences.

One significant difference, however, is that they have a parliament system of government. But, we could somehow reach a compromise. The union of the two countries is inevitable. Canada will no longer be able to protect themselves and will need America. Perhaps America will need Canada for something as well.

The union would only help both countries. In fact, I don't understand what is taking so long. After all Canada's industries include oil wells, forestry, mining, and farming. With these industries the combined American and Canadian economy would be something to boast about.

Neither Canada nor America has anything to lose . Together, with our combined economy, we could remain the most powerful nation in the world.

By Ivy Branaman

Verification needed for everything

My prediction for the future is that everything we do will have to be checked by a fingerprint and\or our eye. This is already true in many movies and television shows. We won't be able to use any money or any cards without verifying who we are and that the money or card is ours. A small non-harmful laser will scan the eye, or hands will be set on a surface that will take a fingerprint. Money will somehow know to whom it belongs. So, any cash used must belong to the user.

I think this will stop most if not all of the forging, stealing, and counterfeiting of money or cards. Instead of special numbers on a card that the user must verify, verification will be by eye or fingerprint.

Today there are already ways to do banking on the Internet. Simply go to the banks website and type in some secret number only you should know. Well, I think even home computers will have a small spot on the frame of the monitor to verify eyes or fingerprints before depositing, transacting, or transferring any money from one account to another.

I believe this type of security system will stop all kinds of forging and fraud. I think this would only do good.

By Coty A. Marshall

Humans to explore distant planets

I predict that someday we will colonize distant planets in other galaxies. Sometimes it is okay to believe what you see in the movies. I think with the technology we have today, it is just a matter of years. I think it would be good to explore other plants just in case life on earth is no longer possible.

The construction of the space sation has already shown that we are very near space travel. And people in the space program have talked about the possibility of Mars supporting life.

I believe what Jodie Foster said in the movie *Contact*: "If we are all alone, that sure is a lot of wasted space." So, I think there might be life out there on another planet!

By Jennifer Fiddler

Let's eliminate teeny-bopper bands from MTV

By Ivy Branaman
Staff Writer

Last May as I was channel surfing, I came across MTV and crying girls. Thousands of girls in Times Square were holding signs, posters and pictures of the Backstreet Boys. A select few girls were chosen to be in the studio with the Backstreet Boys and those who were in the studio were overwhelmed with emotion just seeing the five young men.

Getting into the studio was not easy. Some fans sent in videos of themselves showing off their Backstreet Boy-pasted walls. One fan was even a middle-aged mother who wanted to marry one of the members. Although the girls intended to show their love, instead they showed us just how much the boy bands, including the Backstreet Boys, have infiltrated the airwaves, concert venues, magazines, the Billboard charts, our minds, and, in some cases, our hearts.

A boy band is a group of three to five young men who look good, and have a talent and/or interest in singing. Their songs are usually syrupy love ballads or upbeat dance songs. Boy Bands, like the Backstreet Boys and 'N Sync, are generally contrived. Their demographic is both teenage girls and pre-pubescent girls. Many have speculated on why young girls fall for boy bands but, simply put, they're hot guys promising to never break hearts.

Boy bands, who first arrived in 1997, were tolerable—even loveable—when they first came out. However, after two years of syrupy love ballads, no one cares. Boy bands don't write their own music, and we have never seen one of the members pick up an instrument and play it with actual skill. Background vocals and instruments usually drown their average voices out. Their talent is so minimal that they must distract us with their dancing. What rankles me even more is that they don't even write their own songs.

The Offspring deserve a standing ovation for their performance at Woodstock '99. What was great was not their actual performance, but the bit when they brought out the life-sized dolls of the Backstreet boys and started beating them with a baseball bat. The Offspring, the Dixie Chicks, and other bands that are playing their own instruments, writing their own songs, and being themselves are the bands we should be listening to.

However, as long as there are teenage girls, there will be boy bands and,although boy bands will be dead for a few years, they will always reappear. It's not that I don't like boy bands. It's just that I am sick of reading about them, watching their videos, and hearing song after endless song on the radio. I want to turn to MTV without having to see the Backstreet Boys, 'N Sync, 98 Degrees or any other boy band. I want to hear real music from real musicians.

'80s trends have resurfaced in '00s

By Brianne Vaughan
Staff Writer

Forget the flu: there's a new disease in town. It's called the '80s revival

Cause: Retro revivals are quite common. The last generation ages to a point when they start gaining weight, losing hair, and finding wrinkles. They realize the best is behind them. They surround themselves with stuff from their youth. Stores stock stuff from this decade, they cash in big time, and we find it verrry stylish, dahhlings

Symptoms:

Unashamed love for the '80s

"You didn't include me in your 80s revival article last month," pout Brian Molko, vocalist for Placebo, to a Spin magazine staff writer.

Pervasion of the '80s in pop culture

Ad agencies know that it's coming. 80s songs are now featured heavily in commercials, for example, The Smith's "How Soon Is Now" for Honda, Depeche Mode's "Just Can't Get Enough" and Madonna's "I Dress You Up" for Gap, and Dream Academy's "Life In A Northern Town" for Acuvue.

The local radio stations know, too: many 80s songs are dispersed throughout the KWOD and End play lists. KWOD features Retro Revival shows and 80s weekends on 98 Rock to celebrate the fun, horrifying, awesome decade known as the '80s.

Some of today's most popular bands have covered '80s songs: Limp Bizkit, the Deftones, Blink 182, Orgy, Coal Chamber and Ozzy Osbourne, Rammstein Mode's

Marilyn Manson, Fear Factory, Static-X, Oleander, MxPx, Placebo, and The Smashing Pumpkins. These have all been within the last year, except for Manson and the Pumpkins who recorded their versions in the mid-'90s.

'80s songs are suddenly also featured heavily in shows. Take "Obsession," by Animotion as the theme for E!'s Fashion TV, "Tainted Love," by Soft Cell on Ally McBeal, and "Too Many People," by the Pet Shop Boys and OMD's "Forever Live and Die" on MTV's Daria, for a brief example.

The movies have been all over cable now: *Pretty In Pink, Earth Girls Are Easy, The Breakfast Club, Weird Science, Fast Times At Ridgemont High, Sixteen Candles, Dirty Dancing, and Ferris Bueller.*

We have new albums from '80s (and '90s) heroes Depeche Mode, The Cure, New Order, the Pet Shop Boys, and Yaz. When Depeche Mode last came to put on a concert for us, they sold out Arco Arena. Not many bands can do that. Not Bush, No Doubt, System, nor Kid Rock.

Clubs experience a huge crowd on '80s revival nights. These clubs, in case you have fake I.D., include the Rage and Bojangles.

The fashion of the '80s was tacky and annoying in large doses, but is absolutely fabulous now when mixed with current stuff. For

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Features

Students, teachers share pet peeves, including *TRL*

By Lanna Kalista and Shelley Tuttle
Staff Writers

Nails scratching on a chalkboard, the guy in front of you smacking his gum, the crooked part in your friend's hair. These are all common examples of pet peeves. Face it, everyone has something that annoys them. When we asked the students and staff to share their peeves, they came up with some, well... interesting answers. Read the list and you'll see what we mean.

Students
·When fat people go to McDonalds, order a whole bunch of food, then order a diet Coke to try to make up for it
·Stupid, annoying people asking stupid, annoying questions (We can take a hint.)
·Sheep (not the farm animal)
·People touching me with their feet
·When you're walking with your friends and they keep moving closer to you
·Paying for something when the bills are not facing the same direction
·Double negatives (ex. It don't bug me none)
·Potato chip bags full of air
·Animals dressed as humans
·When people take my hat
·When people wear clothes that are too small for them
·Mimes and clowns
·When the person who sits in front of you has acne on the back of their neck
·Carl Carter (stated by Laura Carter)
·Soggy Nachos
·Lloyd Lindsay Young
·Boy Bands
·Biting your toenails and plucking your nose hairs
·At the movie theater, the person sitting near you has almost ran out of soda, so they move their straw up and down and slurp their soda

Staff
·"When people do not believe my stories (you ingrates)" -Coach Baker
·"Smart people who don't study." -Mr. Engoron
·" Old, bald, people who drive on the freeway." -Ms. McAlister
·" When Mr. Medina wears high heel shoes to look taller... bitter people like Mr. King." -Mr. Elliot.
·"Mr. Elliot." -Mr. Medina
·"When people use my Kleenex, then leave it on the ground for me to clean up." -Mr. Logan
·"When short people unnecessarily pull the fire alarm." -Mr. Sanborn
·"Pens that click" –Ms. Martin

Now here are our pet peeves.

Shelley
·Hacky sack
·Cheap Woodland commercials (especially La Familia Auto Sales)
·Thalia DeCosta (The MTV VJ)

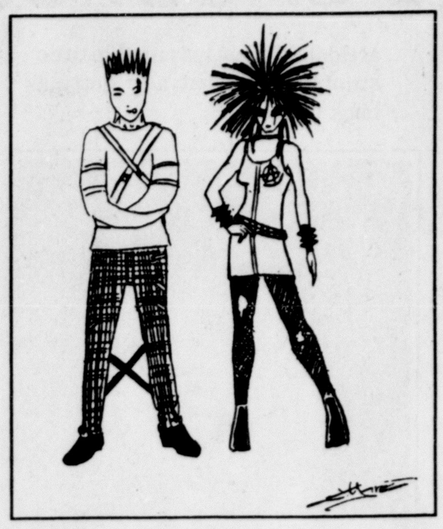
Lanna
·TRL
·When you don't know email/IM you
·Del Taco
·Crooked hair parts
·Wannabe blondes
·When people ask me for gum
·The abbreviation "VJ" for Video Jockey

Punk rock has disapeared

By Jimmy Yanez
Staff Writer

Yes, we all know the paragon, the perfect student who wears Abercrombie & Fitch and listens to Blink 182, DMX, or Christina Aguilera. But what about plaid pants, chains, piercings and listening to the Sex Pistols, the Misfits, and Siouxsie and the Banshees? Apparently in today's society Punk is hardly seen. We've seen retro flashbacks and even an '80s revival, but very few punks. People assume that bands like Blink 182 and Green Day, for example, are today's punk, but I beg to differ. These bands consist of just rock with whiny screaming-like vocals more of a pop sound than anything. I'm sure these fellows are talented, but today's punk is not punk-worthy at all. It is sad that most punk songs today are on the humorous side, which Green Day and Blink 182 do so well, when punk was originally about anarchy...is that humorous?

The Punk era began in the late '70s and went throughout the '80s. Punk came onto the music scene as an obvious revolt against disco. Some of the bands that helped bring on this strong revolt were the Dead Kennedys, Sex Pistols, the Misfits, the



Clash, and Siouxsie and the Banshees. All of these bands had their own style of punk. The Sex Pistols had a moody and aggressive lead vocalist, the Dead Kennedys had samples of James Brown in their song "Halloween," the Clash had tunes that stuck in you like splinters, and Siouxsie had her incredibly piercing (ironically banshee-like) screams.

Today's punk is unsavory and predictable. Original punk was more aggressive and energetically pleasing. The underground sound (as it was called in the '70s and '80s) made listeners want to jump through buildings, which explains the creation of mosh pits.

Punk icons such as the Sex Pistols encouraged people to be expressive and unique. Punk even had its own look that consisted of straight jackets, spikes, and Doc Martins, not khakis and Vans. Even though punk is on the brink of non-existence, let's appreciate it for opening doors for bands like the Deftones, Puya, Korn and local bands such as Hurt and Leisure, all bands that use the screaming technique (although they don't come close to punk's astonishing screams and refreshing vulgarity).

Let's give our thanks to punk for ending disco, influencing bands we love, and still sticking around in a few places. In the meantime... I'm waiting for it's revival.

CD reviews: the good and the bad

By Jimmy Yanez
Staff Writer

The Good – Here are CDs that I like for the month. I hope you will like them, too.
Method Man/Red Man - These two together are Hip-Hop! I am not a fan of rap but this album was very well done. Method Man and Red Man didn't just throw together typical rap beats that make you think of Will Smith. They actually made real music that you can bob your head to.
Tori Amos - Applause! That's what you will hear on Tori Amos' new live album *To Venus and Back*, because of the incredible performance and music from the red-haired pianist. A flawless performance from Tori's clear and lovely vocals. You will find yourself singing along to the pleasant music.
Type O Negative - Attention all goth's...a CD you must purchase. This album is great for rock fans who like to live more on the dark side. Type O Negative's new album is a great example of how rock should be for the rest of the year.
The Beatles - Blast from the past! Old favorites come back with the re-made *Yellow Submarine*, the album made for the animated movie starring the '60s icons. If you like fun and great older Beatles songs, you will like Yellow Submarine.
Melissa Etheridge - The woman of slow rock has returned with a mellow and easy sound. This old friend of rock is saying with her new album that she is here to stay. If you like Melissa Etheridge's older work, you'll like her new work.

The Bad - I don't like these artists and if you hear the albums you might agree. The following is just my opinion. I do not want to offend.
Creed - Creed is back with their same old grunge rock sound, but their appearance has changed. With a new album, new look, and old fashioned grunge, their new album is destined for success from their old fans.
N.I.N - I can see Electronica fans running to music stores now... but I don't see why.
Trent Reznor (the one-man band himself) has released a new album and I'm sadly disappointed. N.I.N's new album *Fragile* is not like Trent Reznor's former albums. This one is very slow and, sorry to say, dull. His form of techno is not fast and unique as as techno-rock should be.
Meredith Brooks - What can you expect from a one hit wonder? She has come back with a new album and there hasn't been any word about it. I respect Meredith Brooks' musical talent, but from what I heard of this album her musical style is passé.
Live – I respect all musicians...even if they are really bad. Live is a band stuck in the early and mid-1990s. Although, like Meredith Brooks, their sound is passé, they are on the better side of rock this year. So far rock this year hasn't been too pleasing.

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Sincerely Sephora



Dear Sephora,
I'm sitting here in my 3rd period class dreaming of my babe-a-licious fantasy teacher. Even though his ring glitters in the sunlight, I still dream of a time when we can be together. I often write stories of him and mehaving asecret affair. In the stories, he eventually leaves his wife for me.
I always ask him for help just so I can be near him. His voice, his looks, and cologne leave me in another fantasizing worl.
That is not the real reason I wrote in, though. His birthday is coming up. So I bought him a $120 set of Ralph Lauren cologne and after-shave. (I asked him what his favorite fragrance was.) I'm having second thoughts about giving the cologne to him. I want him to know how I feel about him. But, I don't want the rest of the school to know. Please help me figure out what to do. I spent all that money and I don't want it to go to waste. I really love this guy and want to give the present to him. What should I do?
Sincerely,
Desperately in Love

Dear Desperately in Love,
Hello, stalker! What is that about? You are so pathetically sad and exhaustingly stupid! Sephora has received many letters about students with crushes on one of their teachers. However, none have ever gone as far as you. A $120 present? I hope you saved the receipt! Get a freakin' life! He's married and he's 14 years older than you! What is wrong with you???
Return the gift and use your $120 for psychiatric help! Rip up the stories too! You have got some major problems! Sephora is here for advice, not pathetic problems like yours. You shouldn't have called yourself "Desperately in Love." You should have called yourself "Pathetically Obsessed."
Sincerely,
Sephora

The Green Mile and *Toy Story* reviewed

By Christian Lucero
Staff Writer

If you're looking for a movie to see this week I definitely recommend *The Green Mile*. Critics and people are raving about this movie.
Tom Hanks plays the leading role as the head prison guard, who brings in John Coffee, a convicted murderer, to await his execution. John Coffee is discovered to have a special healing power, sort of like Jesus did, and the rest of the movie deals with this. This movie is very dramatic, so if you're going to see this movie and you're kind of emotional you'd better bring a box of tissues.

The thing that surprised me was this movie *The Green Mile* was based on a Stephen King novel I was really hoping for a down-to- earth realistic movie but instead I watched a far fetched story. Even so, the acting was brilliant and the movie is incredible.

By Shelley Tuttle
Staff Writer

Woody, Buzz and the rest of Andy's toys are back on the big screen in a fun-filled sequel to 1995's *Toy Story*. With a new home, everything seems to be going well until Woody is stolen by a crazed collector. Woody then sets off on his craziest journey yet, where he meets the rest of his round-up gang from their famous TV show. Afraid that Woody may never return, a few of his toy friends set out to rescue him and so begins their hilarious journey through city streets, elevator shafts and toy stores.
I normally dislike sequels, but *Toy Story* had just as many laughs as its delightful predecessor, if not more. Constantly mocking other space movies like *Star Wars* and *Star Trek, Toy Story 2* has something for everyone. It is now playing at the Century and Regal theatres. Who says high school students are too old to love cartoons?

Surfin' the web with Ivy

Site: *www.fastweb.com*
Rather than find one scholarship at a time, do a free scholarship search on this site! The scholarships and/or colleges are picked especially for you (you are required to give personal information including address and phone number). Or you can search by state for the college that best suits you . Tips on how to write your scholarship and college essays can also be found. The site also provides a "total college cost calculator." With the calculator you can find the approximate amount of money you will spend on college. The cost includes everything from groceries to CDs.This site is both fast and free!

Site: *www.geocities.com/colossseum/pressbox/4822*
Jason Williams, the Sacramento Kings point guard, began playing for the Kings just last season but already sites have been popping up all over, this one is the best! The main page is a well-designed with a cutout of Jason Williams attempting a slam dunk. The "stats" section is filled with this season's highlites. There are both audio and video clips if you missed a game or want to see your favorite play again. In the "biography" section you find out that Randy Moss' high school teammate was always a bad boy. However, his ability to play basketball overshadowed his faults. In fatc, he is the only player in the history of his high school to score over 1,000 career points and 500 plus assists. Any questions that weren't answered by the "stats" and "bio" section can be found in the articles section most published articles about Williams can be found. A collection of still-frame screens makes up the "images" section. Whatever you want to find and/or know about Kings' #55 is all yours when you go this site!

Site: *www.webdesign.com/lyrics/index.html*
If you enjoy laughs at the expense of others this site is for you! Lyrics Schmirics is run by a freelance humor writer and disc jockey that enjoys analyzing songs. Whether it's Backstreet Boys' "I Want It That Way" or Eminem's "Hi, My Name Is," he picks apart nearly every line of the song. Though he claims he likes some of the songs/artists he criticizes, he can be somewhat harsh. For example, of LFO's catchy "Summer Girls" song he writes, "I wouldn't be surprised if the song is isn't just three minutes of advertising bought by Abercrombie & Fitch-a new payola approach that launched Limp Bizkit." However, it makes for fun reading! Some songs I nearly laughed until I cried. But if it was an artist/song I liked, I was offended. Therefore, I wouldn't recommend the site if you're not thick-skinned. If you are, on the other hand, check it out for a few laughs!

Site: *www.nightworks.de/ricci/*
Although Christina Ricci was a popular child actress she's even more popular as an adult. After films like *The Opposite of Sex* and most recently *Sleepy Hollow*, sites dedicated to her have been popping up all over the Internet. This one, titled "Views of Christina Ricci," caught my eye. The clever artwork on the main page and the scroll bar menu make this an easy-to –operate sight. The site owner makes judgments on Ricci's personal life there is an unbiased biography at another part of the site. There is a list and link to most of her movies, everything from her debut in *Mermaids* in 1990 to the underground sensation *Buffalo 66* from just last year. There is also a gallery of photos that aren't too recent. Most of the pictures are from her child star days. However, this site is fun and colorful, it will keep your attention. And, it comes in English, French, and Italian. Check it out to get the details on the most successful child star turned Indie Queen.

By Ivy Branaman

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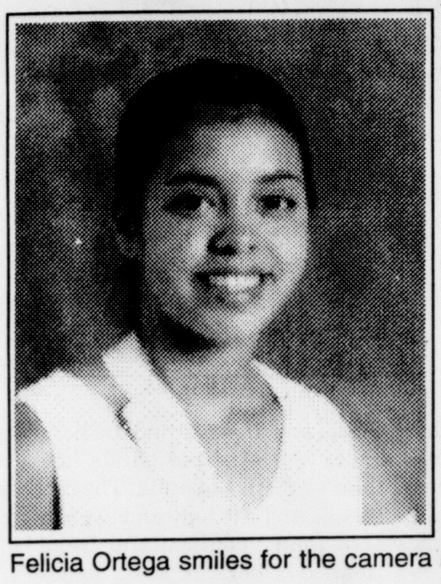
'Felicia the Great' not an average cheerleader

By Olivia De Mars
Sports Editor

Cheerleaders. Schools everywhere stereotype them as being "stuck-up," over-spirited, and a few other uncomplimentary things, but Felicia Ortega, a River City cheerleader does not consider herself to be included in that stereotype. The reason she does not belong to that stereotype is because, "she is a very sweet and hard working individual," said Ms. Costanza, Felicia's leadership teacher.

Felicia has been cheerleading ever since her freshman year and joined purely because her "sister had cheered in high school and it looked fun," said Felicia, wearing that ever familiar smile.

Cheerleading hasn't always been "fun" though. Earlier last year when Felicia was doing a stunt called a "liberty" she fell out of it and broke her elbow, causing her to take a break from cheerleading. Since her accident Felicia was unable to do stunts and is just now getting back to them.



Felicia Ortega smiles for the camera

Asked if she considered cheerleading a sport, Felicia said, "Yes, in some ways cheerleading is a sport. We do stunts and other things and that would make cheerleading a sport." As far as cheerleading in college Felicia said that she would rather not cheer after high school but rather continue her education.

Aside from her accomplishments in cheerleading, like being captain of the j.v. squad and captain for the football season when she was a sophomore, Felicia is very involved with River City. She is the junior class representative, and can be found helping out at any major event at River City.

With all her contribution to school Felicia still finds some "me" time by doing what she loves. "I like going dancing and just spending time with my friends," she said. And it is her closest friends that have nicknamed this "sweet girl" Felicia the Great.

As for cheerleading, and for everyone that thinks cheerleading is blah, Felicia said, "Actually come to one of our practice and then decide what you think of us. Don't prejudge every cheerleader because of the sterotyoe."

Varsity boys basketball team 1-5 in league

By Olivia De Mars
Sports Editor

The River City varsity boys basketball team is currently 1-5 in league play.

Playing their first league game against the Golden Sierra Grizzlies, the Raiders lost 65-58, then in the Lindhurst game the Raiders lost in overtime 80-69. River City beat Lincoln 51-48.

"The things we are trying to improve on are scoring more points," said Coach West, "We are usually average around 54 points a game, and the opponents get too many offensive rebounds." In their next three games against Marysville, Colfax, and Mesa Verde, the raiders lost by at least 16 points.

"I was very pleased with our win on the road over Lincoln. We are also showing improvement. I think we will surprise a few of these teams in the second round," said Coach West, the head coach. "The team is working hard and if we play as a team we will be okay in the second half."

J.V. boys basketball now 4-5

By Jason De Mars
Staff Writer

In the last couple of weeks the River City High School j.v. boys basketball team has played nine games against some "very tough teams," said Coach Jamie King, "especially the teams we are faced with on the road."

The j.v. boys have only lost five games and won four. The team's losses came from Florin, Natomas, Golden Sierra, Marysville, and Mesa Verde. The games were very close and the Raiders only lost by ten points at most.

The Raider wins were against Colfax, 49-40, they also beat Lincoln 51-42. The Raiders also won against Lindhurst and Vintage.

"On defense when we hold teams in the low 40's, in terms of points, we are generally very successful," said Coach King. "Defense is one aspect of the game that every player can be effective at, if they put their mind to it."

Coach King also added, "This team is continuing to improve with each game. We hope to continue to be very effective on our home court."

River City wrestling 3-4 in mid-season

By Michael Slack
Staff Writer

The River City wrestling season is now halfway over. Currently, the Raider team has three wins with four losses. The wrestling team is led by coaches Miller and Ferris, with captain Bernie Stanhope, and co-captains Anthony Farnworth and Viktor Katykhin.

Some key wrestlers on the team are Mo Salman who is 15-0 this season and took the undefeated first place at the Natomas varsity duel. His wins were all by pin by the first period. Along with Mo, Anthony Farnworth also took first, and helped for a comeback team victory. Anthony is currently 15-1.

According to Coach Ferris, Alex Timeshenko is also doing well. This is his first year of wrestling, "although, he does have seven years of experience in Russian judo which is similar to wresting," he said.

Freshman jayvee girls take Encina into overtime

By Olivia De Mars
Sports Editor

The River City j.v. girls basketball team has played six league games so far and they have won a total of two.

In the game against Country Day the Raiders won, but lost to Mesa Verde. Coming back with a win in overtime against Encina brought the girls their second league win.

"We are a very young team that continues to make positive strides forward daily," said Coach Shawn King. "They have shown a tremendous amount of dedication and desire. The Encina comeback victory was evidence of that."

In the next three games against Golden Sierra, Lindhurst, and Lincoln lost. "Being a team of freshmen, I try to emphasize the importance of playing as a unit, said Coach Shawn King. "Each player must perform her role in order for our team to be successful."

Commenting on turnovers as being the main cause of the team's losses, Coach Shawn King said, "Our team gets competitive when we have maintained possession of the ball. "On the other hand, limiting turnovers limits the number of times our opponents have the opportunity to score."

River City's Mock Trial team success in court

By Ivy Branaman
Staff Writer

On January 19, Mock Trial won two of the three counts in a practice round. According to Mr. O'Connor, the teacher coach for Mock Trial, the team performed "very well" as defense against Natomas High School. Leesa Aragon, a senior, won the pretrial motion as the defense, a hard thing to do. However, the whole team "did a good job," said Mr.O'Connor.

The actual competition for Mock Trial will be on February 22, 24, and 26. The competition will be held at the Sacramento County Court House, begin at 5:30 pm on both the 22nd and 24th. On the 26th, the trial will be begin at 8:00 am. There will be four rounds in the trial and RC will spend two rounds on both prosecution and defense.

This year's Mock Trial team includes Leesa Aragon as the pretrial defense attorney and Misty Hocking as the pre-trial prosecution attorney. The lead defense attorney is Denise Lee and the lead prosecution attorney is Alex Matthews.

The prosecution attorney is Jasmin Patel. Anthony Farnworth is the bailiff. Portraying the defendant and witnesses are Elissa Espinoza, John Goedan, Wilfredo Jiminez., Shevelini Surat , Samantha Lee, Donald Smith, and Lanna Kalista. Mock Trial has one more role to fill, if you are interested please see Mr. O'Connor.

Academic Decathlon approaches

By Michael Slack
Staff Writer

Let the competition begin. In ten days the River City Academic Decathlon team will match wits against other schools at Woodland High. This year the theme is "Mans Impact on the Earth." River City will compete against Woodland, Davis, Esparto, and Winters on Saturday, Feb. 5.

The Decathlon class is comprised of 13 students: Andrey Dykan, Igor Dykan, Mugeda Ferouz, Matin Gardizi, Darren George, Rebekah Marshall, Najim Nessar, Jasmin Patel, Rohullah Razaqpur, Leah Riggs, Thomas Webb, Shelvin William, Mozamel Yusufzai, and Tariq Yusufzai.

Only three groups of three with two alternates will be chosen for the competition. These groups are arranged by g.p.a. from the last two years. The groups are: honors (g.p.a. of 3.5 or better), scholastic (g.p.a. of 3.0-3.5), and varsity (g.p.a. of 3.0 or below). Although the entire competition will not be open to the public, the Super Quiz will be.

The Super Quiz is a series of questions, and is like the game show Jeopardy. The Super Quiz will be held around 5pm.

WATKINS

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my wife was the smartest thing I've ever done," he said. Mr. Watkins says that his wife is a very good person. They both like to travel. He has been to Guatemala, Belize, and Mexico. Mr. Watkins got over his worst fear on one of his trips: his fear of sharks. He says that ever since he watched the movie *Jaws* he was really scared to get in the water with sharks, but the tour guy got in the water and picked up a shark and let Mr. Watkins hold it

When Mr. Watkins was 11 his family moved to Mexico. He knew his new neighbors for only two days and moved in with them because he didn't like it at home. The neighbors later moved to the United States, and they took Mr. Watkins with them. After he got back in the U.S. he moved in with various family members. When he was 16 he moved out on his own.

In his spare time Mr. Watkins likes to golf and beat Mr. Baker in a game of basketball.

Asked what his prediction was for the 21st century, he replied that everything will be based on computers and everything will be done on the worldwide web. He thinks more people will do their work at home and spend more time with their families. "Last but not least, money will be replaced with happiness," he said.

Economics teacher proud Scotsman

By Brianne Vaughan
Staff Writer

Mr. McThomsen is wearing a skirt. No, this isn't the latest fashion, at least not in America. Mr. McThomsen is celebrating his heritage. He is wearing a kilt and full Scottish outfit.

This was the scenario on Halloween. Our usual Econ. teacher, Mr. Thomsen, had mysteriously vanished, and in his place stood Mr. McThomsen, a Scotsman wearing a kilt. He noticed our shock and giggles, so he explained...

In his ancestral land, it is VERY fashionable to wear his outfit. Mr. McThomsen is VERY proud to represent his clan, Stewart. He is a drum major at the Scottish Games. "I dress up in me kilt and grab me mase (a big long stick), find a bagpipe band, march in front of them, and throw me mase as high as I can without killing myself," he said.

His outfit: on his feet, he wears gillys-brogues. His socks are called hose. Flashes hold them up. His kilt, of course. A belt with a buckle so large, it impresses Texans. The pouch around his waist is a sporin and is used to keep the kilt down. His jacket is called a Prince Charley. On his head, he we rs a glengarry with his pipe b id patch and a hackle (feather).

His mase: centuries ago, they were used for a weapon if they had nothing else. You wouldn't want to lead a band through a battle without one.

The Scottish Games: A celebration of Scottish heritage featuring such events as the hammer throw, and caber toss, in which big guys in kilts throw humongous logs over their heads. There's food, crafts, and fun. Clan tents contain family history that may be as far-reaching as the 12th-15th centuries. Clans march through the area during the Gathering of Clans.



Mr. Thomsen, former student teacher, shows Scottish pride.

TRENDS

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example, Britney Spears' dancers on MTV's Video Music Awards a couple of months ago were cool!!
They wore silver pants with white turtlenecks. '80s, but not overdone. Fabulous. The same can be said for TLC, but not for the Backsteet Boys' black leather outfits, but at least they *tried* to be in style.

Movies, of course, have also displayed the revival. Take for instance a successful movie of '99, *200 Cigarettes,* starring Courtney Love, of all people, and a cast of MUCH younger stars, which took place on New Year's Eve of '82.

High Fashion labels, such as Dolce and Gabanna, Christian Dior, Jean Paul Gaultier, Betsy Johnson, and Daryl K, have incorporated the '80s into their lines. Some are exotic, while others are tacky: bright colors, denim, glitter, and glam walked
down the runways in the Spring 2000 collection.

The Cure: Feather your hair, turn up your collar, splash on some Polo, and head back to the time when Reagan was King! Just kidding!! Just calm down and embrace the
impending retro revival.

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The West Sacramento City Council will conduct a public hearing on February 9, 2000 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the following. The hearing will be held at city hall, 1350 Halyard Dr., West Sacramento. Interested persons are invited to attend. In compliance with the ADA, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, you should contact the City Clerk at 373-5800. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting. City Hall is handicapped accessible.

1. Ordinance 00-2 amending Planned Development 23 (PD 23) on 9.5 acres located on the site known as Riverpoint. The amendment would add language to the existing PD 23 text to create a subarea D. The amendment would allow subarea D to be developed in accordance with the C-3 zone development standards and allow offices that are 3,000 square feet or more as permitted uses. The site is zoned C-3, PD 23. The project is located east of Riverpoint Cr., west of Harbor Blvd., and north of the Southern Pacific Railroad. A previous Negative Declaration has been prepared on this site.

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ORDINANCE NO. 00-4
AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO ENACTING CHAPTER 8.40 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO POLLUTION CONTROL, MOORING, AND ANCHORAGE OF VESSELS WITHIN CITY LIMITS

The City Council of the City of West Sacramento does ordain as follows:

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to enact Chapter 8.40 of the West Sacramento Municipal Code relating to the discharge of pollution into waterways within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of West Sacramento and anchorage and morring thereinf.

Section 2. Authority. The City Council enacts this ordinance under the authority granted to cities by Article XI, Section 7 of the California Constitution and in accordance with subdivision (b) of Section 36937 of the California Government Code.

Section 3. Findings. This ordinance is adopted as an urgency ordinance and as such shall be immediately effective. Based on evidence presented to the Council at its regular meeting of January 19, 2000, the Council hereby finds that based on the following, the preservation of public health and safety require that this ordinance take effect immediately.

a. The discharge of pollutants, untreated sewage and other waste products directly into the waterways within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of West Sacramento possesses a direct and immediate threat to the health and safety of the citizens of West Sacramento, degrades water quality within those waterways, and threatens delicate ecosystems within the City's jurisdiction and further downstream.

b. The City of Sacramento recently enacted an ordinance related to the discharge of sewage or garbage into waterways and requiring that vessels intending to anchor within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Sacramento first obtain a long-term anchorage permit by demonstrating that the vessels complly within minimum standards regarding the collection, retention, and disposal of sewage. Following enactment of that ordinance, vessels whose owners/operators are unable or unwilling to comply with the minimum standards contained in the Sacramento ordinance have moved their vessels into waterways within West Sacramento's jurisdiction, thereby greatly increasing the ongoing threat to public health and safety posed by these vessels.

Section 4. Enactment. Chapter 8.40 of the West Sacramento Municipal Code is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Chapter 8.40
POLLUTION AND ANCHORAGE OF VESSELS

8.40.010. Pollution: Anchoring and Mooring. It shall be unlawful for any person to do any of the following within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of West Sacramento:

A. Dump, throw or discharge sewage, garbage or any other material defined by any state or federal law as one which poses a risk to human health or safety into any waterway;

B. Pump or otherwise discharge the content of the bilge of any vessel into any waterway;

C. Anchor or moor any vessel that is not seaworthy on any waterway, or attach it to any vessel that is anchored or moored on any waterway another vessel that is not seaworthy. Determinations of seaworthiness shall be made by the West Sacramento Police Department and/or the United States Coast Guard.

D. Anchor or moor any vessel, or continue to anchor or moor a vessel, on any waterway 48 hours after receiving notice that, due to threat of flooding, high water or other public safety reasons, the vessel must be removed from the location or waterway.

1. Notices to move shall be posted upon the vessel and a copy mailed to the registered owner, if actually known. The notice shall: a) advise the owner/occupant that the vessel must be moved within 48 hours of posting b) explain the reason why the vessel must be moved and c) state that if the vessel is not moved, it will be towed and impounded at the owner's expense.

2. Any vessel not in compliance with the notice and order to move will be subject to immediate removal by the West Sacramento Police Department.

3. Nothing contained in this chapter shall limit the City's authority to summarily abate any condition if the City determines that the condition poses an immediate threat to public health or safety.

8.40.20 Vessels in Emergency Situations or Conditions. If any vessel on any waterway is in an emergency situation or condition, the owner or operator of the vessel shall immediately report the situation or condition to the West Sacramento Police Department. The owner or operator of the vessel shall be subject to the Police Department's directives and shall immediately move and/or secure the vessel as instructed. It shall be unlawful for any person to fail or refuse to comply with the Department's orders or directions with regard to the disposition of the vessel.

In the event that the owner or operator of a vessel in an emergency situation or condition fails to comply with the directives of the Department, the Department shall forthwith move and/or secure the vessel at the owner's expense.

Vessels that are in an emergency situation or condition shall remain anchored, moored or attached only until the emergency situation or condition has been resolved, but in no event for more than 72 hours.

8.40.030 Long Term Anchorage Permit Required. It shall be unlawful for any person to anchor *or moor* any vessel on any waterway in one (1) location for more than six (6) hours a day for a total of thirty (30) or more days in any ninety (90) day period without a valid Long-Term Anchorage Permit ("Permit") issued in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. *This requirement shall not apply to vessels moored to a pier or dock with permission of the owner of the pier or dock.*

8.40.040 Exemptions. This chapter shall not apply to vessels operated by the United States, the State of California, or any government entity, its agencies, or instrumentalities.

8.40.050 Permit Applications. Permit applications may be obtained from the West Sacramento Police Department. Only vessels in compliance with the conditions set forth in Section 8.40.060 shall be eligible for a Permit.

8.40.060 Conditions for Issuance of Permit. A Permit will be issued for a vessel if the West Sacramento Plice Department determines, after investigation and inspection of the vessel, that:

A. The vessel is equipped with an operable sanitation device designed to receive, retain, and lawfully discharge sewage.

B. Occupancy of the vessel will not create a hazard to health, welfare or safety of the occupants thereof, other vessels, or the community in general.

8.40.070 Display of Permit. A Permit shall be posted on the vessel in a position that is clearlly visible from the exterior of the vessel.

8.40.080 Sanitation. Vessels possessing a valid Permit shall discharge sewage at an authorized pump-out station at least every four (4) days in a manner that complies fully with all applicable regulations.

8.40.090 Sanitation Log. Vessels possessing a valid Permit shall submit a sanitation log documenting compliance with this chapter to the West Sacramento Police Department upon request.

8.40.100 Attached Vessels. A vessels possessing a valid Permit, while anchored in any waterway, may have no more than one (1) other vessel attached to it; provided, however, that additional vessels may be attached if otherwise permitted by law and if each additional vessel possesses a valid Permit.

8.40.110 Permit Fee. Applciations for Permits shall be accompanied by a fee established by the City Council based on the cost of administering the Permit program.

8.40.120 Duration of Permit; Renewal. Permits shall expire ninety (90) days from the date of issuance. Permits may be renewed by applying for a new permit in accordance with the procedure set forth herein.

8.40.130 Revocation. A Permit may be revoked upon a finding by the West Sacramento Police Department that the permittee or occupant of the vessel is in violation of the terms of the Permit or this chapter. Appeal from any such revocation may be taken to the City's hearing officer or hearing examiner as specified in Chapter 1.08.

8.40.140 Violation - Penalty. All violations of the provisions of this Chapter are misdemeanors, punishable as set forth in Chapter 1.12. In addition, violations of this Chapter are hereby declared to be a public nuisance and may be abated pursuant to Chapter 8.04.

8.40.150 Definitions. As used in this chapter, the term "West Sacramento Police Department" means the West Sacramento Police Department or the City's agent.

Section 5. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of the ordinance are severable. This City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this ordinance irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion thereof.

Section 6. Effective Date and Notice. This ordinance shall take effect immediately following its passage. Within fifteen (15) days after its passage, it shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated within the City of West Sacramento.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of Jan., 2000 by the following vote:
AYES: Cahill, Kristoff, Montemayor, Potnick, Cabaldon
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
/s/Christopher L. Cabaldon, Mayor
ATTEST:
/s/Helen M. Kanowsky, City Clerk
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/Robert E. Murphy, City Attorney

Jan 26

ORDINANCE SUMMARY

At their regular meeting on February 2, 2000, the City Council of the City of West Sacramento is scheduled to adopt Ordinance 00-1 making various amendments to the Zoning Ordinance including but not limited to: Land Use Matrix, Building Set Back Matrix, Signage, Paving, Commercial Coaches, RV Parking and Outdoor Storage.

Jan 26

Trustee Sale No. 24638 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 09-09-1997. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On **02-16-2000** at **12:00 p.m.**, Foreclosure Consultants, Inc. as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust, Recorded on 10-02-1997 as Document No. 97-24188 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, executed by: Carol Dea Packard, a widow, as Trustor, Corewest Banc, as Beneficiary WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state.) At: **The main entrance to the City Hall at, 2101 Stone Blvd., West Sacramento, CA** all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: A.P.N. 008-314-09-1. Lot 30, in block 5, Westfield Village Unit Two, filed July 7, 1950 in book 4 map at page 27, Yolo County Records. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **1809 Michigan Blvd., West Sacramento, CA 95691.** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: **$57,622.51** Estimated. Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. DATE: 1-14-00 **Foreclosure Consultants, Inc., as Trustee,** *By: Teri Snyder, Exec. Vice President 8101 Kaiser Blvd., #360, Anaheim Hills, CA 92808, (714)282-2424, Sale Info. Line: (714)282-2430* 1-26, 2-2,2-9 -2000



To get chewing gum off an item of clothing, rub the gum with ice first, then scrape off.



The first known timepiece, the sundial, was developed in the Middle East around 3500 B.C.

(NAPS)—Veterans Day, begun as a celebration of the end of World War I, since has become a time set aside to honor all of America's veterans.

It was originally called Armistice Day, and was celebrated first on Nov. 11, 1919, exactly one year to the day after the shooting stopped in Europe. People across the country observed two minutes of silence in remembrance of soldiers who had lost their lives. Similar ceremonies were held in England and France.

A vital element of the observance was added in 1921, when the body of an unknown American soldier was moved from France to be buried at Arlington National Cemetery. The observance of that special day in Washington included President Warren G. Harding laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier (now Tomb of the Unknowns), an act repeated each Veterans Day since then.

Armistice Day was established officially by Congress in 1926. It became a national holiday 12 years later. But the "armistice" didn't live up to the hope that there would never be another world war. To honor veterans of every conflict, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a bill in 1954 to change the name from Armistice Day to Veterans Day.

In 1968, a law was enacted calling for Veterans Day to be celebrated the fourth Monday in October. In response to strong feelings about the original date, Congress in 1978 changed Veterans Day back to the original date of November 11.

Two unknowns were buried at Arlington National Cemetery in 1958. One was

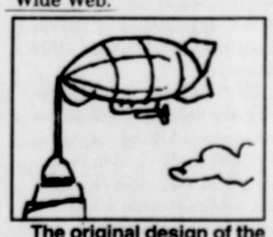


killed in World War II and one died in the Korean War. In 1984, a body from the Vietnam War was brought to join the other Unknowns. But in 1998 that body was identified through DNA tests and moved from the Tomb of the Unknowns.

In addition to ceremonies at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery, it has long been a Veterans Day tradition for observances to be held in each state with parades, patriotic ceremonies, and the display of flags. From that momentous day at the end of World War I—the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month—evolved a special day for acknowledging all the men and women, living and dead, who took up arms in defense of America.

More than half the men and women who have served in U.S. military forces throughout history, nearly 25 million, are alive today. More than 80 percent of them are over the age of 50.

For more information about Veterans Day history, ceremonies and events, go to *www.va.gov/pubaff/vetday98/vetsday.htm* on the World Wide Web.



The original design of the Empire State Building called for the top of the tower to be used as a mooring place for dirigibles.

Police log

Jan. 16, 6 p.m.
An officer contacted a 42-year old transient man for bicycling with no light. The man had a warrant for his arrest and was booked.

Jan. 20, 4 p.m.
At a convenience market, a suspect took beer and left the store without paying. An employee followed and confronted the man, who then struck the employee with his fist and fled. An officer located a possible suspect several hours later.

Jan. 21, 1:40 a.m.
At a West Capitol nightclub, a woman reported having been assaulted by three unknown female suspects. She was treated at a hospital for her injuries.

Jan. 21, 2:27 a.m.
An officer was flagged down by the employee of a business. The businessperson reported that a man walking his dog had found a package and turned it in. The package contained about $7.8 million in business checks belonging to a locally-based finance company. It had apparently been dropped by a courier who was making a transfer nearby. Police returned the package to the company's head of security.

Jan. 21, 9 a.m.
An F St. man reported that an air compressor and two jackhammers were stolen from a construction site on F St.

Jan. 21, 6 p.m.
Two officers responded to an alarm at city hall, and found a door left open apparently by mistake. A second alarm was heard an hour later and attributed to a mistake made by an authorized person who reset the alarm.

Jan. 22, 10 p.m.
A Douglas St. resident reported that a handgun was stolen in a burglary.

Jan. 22, 11:16 p.m.
A taxi driver was injured in a carjacking near Citrus Ave. and Elm. The driver had just given a ride to three men from Sacramento, when he was hit over the head with an unknown object. He fled the car, and the suspects took the cab. A "be on the lookout" was issued, and Sacramento police stopped the cab and apprehended two men. A third fled the scene.

Jan. 22, 4:05 p.m.
Officers responding to a call regarding a person contemplating suicide stopped a car leaving the area on West Capitol Ave. The car had been reported stolen from Sacramento, and although the driver was not the suicide suspect sought, the 28-year old Sacramento man had no driver's license and was arrested. He was the son-in-law of the person who owned the car, and had not been given permission to take it.

Jan. 22, 6:28 p.m.
Two sisters (minors) ran away from their West Sacramento home, presumably to go to a friend's in Davis.

Jan. 23, 2:55 a.m.
On West Capitol Ave., officers responded to an audible alarm at a business and found a window smashed and a chunk of concrete inside. No one had entered and nothing appeared to have been taken.

Jan. 23, 1:10 p.m.
Officers contacted a 35-year old West Sacramento man at a Westacre Rd. address after an alarm was reported. They learned he was on parole, and a search turned up a wooden baseball bat next to the driver's seat. He was arrested.

Jan. 23, 1:10 a.m.
A woman reported seeing another woman vandalize her car on Madrone. The suspect was booked for that offense as well as other infractions.

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the rhythmical shapes of the rice silos at the Port while Del Sunley makes us aware of the height and size of the Port granary using subtle colors.

A paint-out to the area around the old landmark of the Club Pheasant so familiar to West Sacramentans inspired Sunley to paint the building in a romantic style so it looks like an exotic place in a far away land. Mae Delle Leino gravitated to the fields around the restaurant, land soon to be developed for housing, and her painting of the tomato fields has a horizontal pattern of the ripening plants.

"Coleslaw, Anyone?" portrays a beautiful, red cabbage painted by Betty Fairbairn Sokolich. The cabbage was grown in W.S. by Errol Summy and was, indeed, a perfect cabbage. The veins in the vegetable create a textural pattern. "A Place of Worship" is a view of the Sikh Temple on Evergreen Ave. Sokolich also painted the Sacramento Port with a brilliant, blue sky.

The Friends of the Library sponsor the exhibits and a reception for the artists will be held on February 12, 2000 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.. It's a great time to meet the artists and the public is cordially invited to attend.

One arrest at sobriety checkpoint

The West Sacramento Police Dept. held a sobriety checkpoint on Saturday from 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. on eastbound West Capitol Ave. near Sycamore Ave.

Traffic was stopped and drivers briefly interviewed; some drivers were referred to the roadside for field sobriety tests.

The department reports that 282 vehicles drove through the checkpoint, with 29 directed to a staging area for license or sobriety checks. Three field sobriety tests were given and one driver was arrested for driving under the influence. Eight vehicles were impounded for being driven by suspended or unlicensed drivers.

West Sacramento job expansion

The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) reports that Yolo County grew new jobs at an average rate of 4.2 percent every year from 1990 to 1999, beginning the decade with 57,894 and ending with 83,830.

The Sacramento region overall increased its employment opportunities an average of 2.74 percent annually.

West Sacramento's jobs grew from 16,159 to 30,534 over the same period, for an average growth rate of 7.33 percent, and making the city Yolo County's biggest and fastest growing employment area. The second quickest-growing employment area in the county was Woodland, increasing at a 3.00 percent rate to end the decade with 18,964 jobs. The county's unincorporated area, which began the decade with slightly more jobs than West Sacramento, experienced a 2.89 percent growth rate.

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Public Notices

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Jan 12, 2000
File No. 900025

The following person is doing business as Charity Vending Associates, 717 Alvarado St. #221, Davis, CA 95616:

Thomas W. Kielty, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1/12/00.

/s/Thomas W. Kielty

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Jan 12, 2000
by: /s/ , Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Jan 4, 2000
File No. 57-2000010

The following person is doing business as Cal-West Truck Accessories, 2000 E. Main St., Suite A, Woodland, CA 95776:

Kevin R. Pack and Lisa S. Pack, 8213 Westport Cir., Sacramento, CA 95828.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1-4-2000.

/s/Kevin Pack

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Jan 4, 2000
by: /s/Vickie L. Watkins, Deputy Clerk
Jan 19 26 Feb 2 9

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Jan 11, 2000
File No. 2000-22

The following person is doing business as Herbal Support Services; Herbsoaps, 1011 Clark Ct., Davis, CA 95616:

Seanain Snow, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2000.

/s/Seanain Snow

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Jan 13, 2000
by: /s/Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk
Jan 19 26 Feb 2 9

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Jan. 4, 2000
File No. 2000-06

The following person is doing business as Process Constructors Design-Build Solutions For The Wine Industry, 3940 Industrial Blvd., Suite 100-D, West Sacramento, CA 95691:

Earl Construction Company (a California domestic corporation), 3940 Industrial Blvd., Suite 100-D, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/29/99.

/s/J. Doug Pruitt, Chief Executive Officer
Earl Construction Company.

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Jan. 4, 2000
by: /s/Georgie Tolle, Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 15, 1999
File No. 99-841

The following person is doing business as 1) GroundRound Consulting; 2) iRounds; 3)James Lawrence, 200-4H Solano Park Circle, Davis, CA 95616:

Dr. Jie Zhou and Dr. Xuqiong Wu, 200-4H Solano Park Circle, Davis, CA 95616.

This business is conducted by a General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 18, 1999.

/s/Jie Zhou, managing Partner
/s/Xuqiong Wu

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Dec 17, 1999
by: /s/Georgie Tolle, Deputy Clerk
Jan 19 26 Feb 2 9

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The West Sacramento City Council will conduct a public hearing on February 2, 2000 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the following. The hearing will be held either in the cafeteria at Yolo High, 920 Westacre Rd., West Sacramento, CA or at city hall, 1350 Halyard Dr., West Sacramento (please call prior to the hearing for location confirmation). Interested persons are invited to attend. In compliance with the ADA, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, you should contact the City Clerk at 373-5800. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting. City Hall is handicapped accessible.

1. Resolution 002-announcing the intention to vacate several separate public utility easements along the former Johnson Road right-of-way and replace them with one public utility easement.

2. Resolution 00-3 announcing the intention to vacate a public utility easement located at 690 Riverpoint Cr. (Lot 14 of Parcel Map No. 3866).

Jan 19 & 26

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 30, 1999
File No. 99-765

The following person is doing business as Washtime Laundry, 1625 Merkley Ave., West Sacramento CA 95691:

Jorge L. Fernandez & Martha A. Fernandez, 2948 Summerfield Dr., West Sacramento, CA 95691.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 4-27-95.

/s/Jorge and Martha Fernandez

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Dec 2, 1999
by: /s/Georgie Tolle, Deputy Clerk
Jan 5 12 19 26

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. GM-48366-F Loan No. 303450902 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/6/92. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. TRUSTOR:WILLIAM P. KUTSCH AN UNMARRIED MAN Recorded 5/12/92 as Instrument No. 015526 in Book 2349, page 47 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California, Date of Sale:2/16/2000 at 1:00 PM Place of Sale: AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL 2101 STONE BLVD., WEST SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA Property Address is purported to be: 1513 LAUREL LANE WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 APN #: 008-202-11 The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of this notice is $122,769.67, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. Date: January 19, 2000 EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE SERVICES, INC. 15455 SAN FERNANDO MISSION BLVD SUITE #208 MISSION HILLS, CA 91345 (818) 361-6998 DEE ORTEGA ASAP379963 1/26, 2/2, 2/9



Author Mark Twain held three patents—one for garment straps, one for a scrap book with adhesive-coated pages, and one for a game to help children remember history.

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Jan. 3, 2000
File No. 2000-01

The following person is doing business as C.H. Lathing, 38082 Carter Ln., Woodland CA 95695:

Chad Alan Hornbuckle, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1-3-00.

/sChad Alan Hornbuckle

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Jan. 3, 2000
by: /s/Georgie Tolle, Deputy Clerk
Jan 12 19 26 Feb 2

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec. 15, 1999
File No. 99-837

The following person is doing business as Davis In-Line Hockey Association, 115 Grande Ave., Davis CA 95616:

John Harada, same address, President.

This business is conducted by a non-profit association. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 15, 1994. Previous fictitious business name number 94-743.

/s/John Harada

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County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Dec. 17, 1999
by: /s/Georgie Tolle, Deputy Clerk
Jan 12 19 26 Feb 2

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 10, 1999
File No. 99-711

The following person is doing business as R.A. Hartman Construction, 50030 Courtland Rd., Clarksburg, CA 95612:

Ricky Allen Hartman, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/30/99.

/s/Ricky A. Hartman

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Nov 10, 1999
by: /s/Georgie Tolle, Deputy Clerk
Jan 12 19 26 Feb 2

Superior Court, State of California
Yolo County
725 Court Street, #103
Woodland, California 95695
530/666-8170
PT 99-1718

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
In the Matter of the Application of Andrea Priscilla Medina For Change of Name

WHEREAS, Elena Talamantes (legal mom) has filed a petition with the Clerk of this Court for an order changing name of Andrea Priscilla Medina to Andrea Priscilla Talamantes.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this Court on 2-8-2000 at 8:30 a.m. in Department 2 at the above-captioned court and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE be published in the News-Ledger, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Yolo County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.

Dated: 12/23/99
/s/Timothy Fall
Superior Court Judge
Jan 12 19 26 Feb 2

Superior Court, State of California
Yolo County
725 Court Street, #103
Woodland, California 95695
530/666-8170
PT 99-1719

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
In the Matter of the Application of Deanna Elena Medina For Change of Name

WHEREAS, Elena Talamantes (legal mom) has filed a petition with the Clerk of this Court for an order changing name of Deanna Elena Medina to Deanna Elena Talamantes.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this Court on 2-8-2000 at 8:30 a.m. in Department 2 at the above-captioned court and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

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Dated: 12/23/99
/s/Timothy Fall
Superior Court Judge
Jan 12 19 26 Feb 2

LEGAL NOTICE

ATTENTION: This Notices announces a Public Meeting to be held to discuss the Risk Management Plan for the Prodica facility in West Sacramento, Yolo County.

PURPOSE: Prodica will hold a Community Meeting on January 27, 2000 at 7:00 PM at the West Sacramento County Services Center, Community Room B, 500 B Jefferson Blvd., West Sacramento. The meeting is intended to present the results of the Risk Management Plan for the facility as required under the Clean Air Act and Senate Bill 880. The Risk Management Plan covers a worst case and alternate case scenario, five-year accident history, preparedness/prevention and emergency response. Facility personnel, West Sacramento Fire Department and the California Fertilizer Association will be on hand to answer questions.

CONTACTS: Although it is not necessary to notify us if you plan to attend the meeting, for planning purposes we would appreciate it if you would notify Jeff Grussing at (916) 375-6111.

Jan 19 & 26

Notice of Public Hearing REGARDING A FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY ACT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY (TEA21) JOB ACCESS/ REVERSE COMMUTE REGIONAL GRANT PROPOSAL INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS FOR SACRAMENTO, SUTTER, YOLO, YUBA AND PLACER COUNTIES

The Sacramento Area Council of Governments is holding a public hearing to obtain comments on a Regional Job Access/Reverse Commute Grant Proposal covering the above named counties and the cities therein. The hearing will be held at the regular meeting of the SACOG Board of Directors on Thursday, February 17, 2000. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the SACOG Board Room, located on the Second Floor at 3000 "S" Street, Sacramento, CA. The grant funding is proposed to support the following projects:

Sacramento County Sacramento Regional Transit District: Existing transit routes have been extended to earlier and later times in residential areas affected by welfare reform. Weekend services were added to expand the types of employment accessible by transit. Bus service was also added to connect the Mather Community Campus with Sacramento Regional Transit light rail.

Sacramento County Transit Link: Sacramento County has started service which links the cities of Galt and Lodi to employment opportunities in Elk Grove and Sacramento County through new service connections with Sacramento Regional Transit.

Yolo County. Yolo County Transportation District: Increased service to Woodland Community College, the Woodland and West Sacramento Industrial Areas, and new employment opportunities in western Yolo County.

Sutter and Yuba Counties. Yuba-Sutter Transit: Access to available entry-level job opportunities in major employment centers outside the urban area and the extension of weekday evening service to support the local employment of low-income individuals.

Placer County. Roseville Transit: New Saturday service to provide access to retail employment opportunities.

For more information, please write or call:
Joe Concannon, Associate PLanner
Sacramento Area Council of Governments
3000 "S" Street, Suite 300
Sacramento, CA 95816
Tel (916) 457-2264
email: jconcannon@sacog.org
Jan 26

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Jan 18, 2000
File No. 2000-046

The following person is doing business as West Sac Realty; Southport Properties; Park Blvd Properties; and West Sac Properties, 155 15th St., West Sacramento, CA 95691:

John Kane, 2761 Shoveler Ct., West Sacramento, CA 95691; Rosalie Nash, same address.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on . Previous fictitious business name number 94-509.

/s/John H. Kane
/s/Rosalie Nash

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Jan 19 2000
by: /s/Georgie Tolle, Dep. Clerk
Jan 26 Feb 2 9 16

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 19, 1999
File No. 99-746

The following person is doing business as North Delta Ironworks, 49953 Clarksburg Rd., Clarksburg, CA 95612:

Gilbert Lopez, Jr., 49949 Clarksburg Rd., Clarksburg, CA 95612.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 4/93.

/s/Gilberto Lopez Jr.

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Nov 22, 1999
by: /s/Vickie L. Watkins, Deputy Clerk
Jan 26 Feb 2 9 16

NOTICE OF PUBLIC LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, in accordance with the provisions of Section 21700 et seq of the Business & Profession Code of the State of California, of public sale of the contents of the storage spaces named below, which consists of misc. personal property, household, garage, office furn., yard, household items, vehicles, trailers, to satisfy a landlord lien. Complete terms and inspection prior to sale which will be held on the 15th day of February in the County of Yolo, State of California, at 2600 Evergreen Ave., West Sac., 95691 at 10:00 a.m.:

A4 Manuel Variz III/Lily Garcia; C18 Patricia Resendez; C41 David Entz; G33 Bob Podesta; H66 Vicky Viega; I89/90 Eugene Martinez; J26 James L. Briones; B60 Regina Evans.

Bob Kolak Auction Service Lic. A-468
Jan 26 Feb 2

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 14, 1999
File No. 99-831

The following person is doing business as Healthcare Business Associates, 430 Grande, Davis CA 95616:

Traci Gorny, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1/1/2000.

/s/Traci G. Gorny

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Dec 14, 1999
by: /s/Debbie M. Holck, Deputy Clerk
Jan 5 12 19 26

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 9, 1999
File No. 99-818

The following person is doing business as Oil Can Henry's, 1684 Lucust St. #442, Walnut Creek, CA 94596:

S&S Lubrication, same address, a Calif. Corporation.

This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 6/92.

/s/Sanford Allison, Pres.
S&S Lubrication

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State of California
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Date: Dec 9, 1999
by: /s/Georgie Tolle, Deputy Clerk
Jan 5 12 19 26

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 15, 1999
File No. 99-847

The following person is doing business as Bruce Simmons Applicators, 50142 Courtland Road, Clarksburg CA 95612:

Bruce Simmons, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/1/87.

/s/Bruce Simmons

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HELP WANTED

CLERICAL: The City of West Sacramento is recruiting for several vacancies, regular and part-time. Salary ranges from $1719-2761/mo, depending on position. For complete information, see job flyer. To receive job flyer and application, send self-addressed stamped envelope, indicating position, to: HR, PO Box 966, W. Sacto., CA 95691 or download at www.ci.west-sacramento.ca.us. FFD: 5:00 pm, 2/11/2000. NO POSTMARKS.
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Local Scene

Last day to register

County Clerk Tony Bernhard reminds citizens that the last day to register to vote in the upcoming primary election is Feb. 7. Voters must be at least 18 years old on election day, a resident of Yolo County for at least 29 days before the election and a citizen of the U.S. For information, call 1-800-649-9943.

Serving the elderly

Citizens Who Care, Inc., announces a Feb. 5 & 6 concert benefit called, "Too Marvelous For Words – The Great Songs of Johnny Mercer. The concert will feature local artists who will donate their performances for the benefit. Performances will be Sat., Feb. 5 at 8 p.m. and Sun., Feb. 6 at 2 p.m. at the Davis Varsity Theater, 616 Second St., Davis. Tickets are $16 for general admission, $10 for students. Call 758-3704 for information, Citizens Who Care provides social services to the elderly.

Kids of divorce

The Yolo Family Service Agency will offer "Kids' Turn," a workshop for families with kids who are undergoing separation or divorce. The six-week workshop will be held in Woodland and Davis, with courses beginning in February and in April. Cost to parents is on a sliding scale and kids are free. For information, call (530) 662-2211 or (916) 375-1254.

'Job Shadow Day'

The Woodwork Institute of California and the California Highway Patrol Academy, both of West Sacramento, will participate in "Groundhog Job Shadow Day" on Wed., Feb. 2. The day is a national event in which students are invited to spend part of a day shadowing a work site host to learn about how school skills are translated to the workplace. Raley's will participate on Feb. 16. In the Sacramento area, event sponsor LEED-Sacramento can be visited at website http://leed.org.

Meet the Chief

Join Gary L. Leonard, the new chief of police for West Sacramento, at a potluck Wed., Jan. 26, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the West Sacramento Police Dept., 550 Jefferson Blvd. All neighborhood watch captains, as well as anyone interested in joining the program, are especially invited. Bring your neighbors and a favorite dish to share. RSVP to Jason Fourtier, 372-2461 ext. 313 by Friday, Jan. 21.

Little League

West Sacramento Little League will hold registration for players age 5-16 on Saturdays, Jan. 8, 15 & 22, from 10 a.m. to noon, and on Wednesdays, Jan. 12 & 19, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., at the Fireman's Hall, 1966 Park Blvd. Fees are $40 (ages 5-6), $50 (7-12) and $60 (13-16). A late fee will be charged to all players registering after these sessions. Due to planned interleague play in the upper divisions, it is very important that players age 13-16 do not register late; the number of teams in each division needs to be planned. Players age 16 are eligible for Senior League and are encouraged to register. Tryouts (ages 8-12) will be held at Memorial Park Saturdays Feb. 5 & 12 beginning at 10 a.m.

VFW Potluck

The Pat Kunde Memorial Potluck at VFW Post 8762, 905 Drever St., will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 14. For information, call 371-7245.

Gin Fizz

VFW Post 8762's Gin Fizz Breakfast will be held on Sun., Jan. 30, from 9 a.m. to noon at 905 Drever St. Cost is $6 per adult, $4 per child. The Super Bowl will be on TV at 3 p.m..

Pot luck

The Golden Years Club of West Sacramento will host its next pot luck dinner at the VFW Hall, 905 Drever St., at 6 p.m. on Jan. 25. Please bring your own service. For membership information, call Betty Drumheller at 371-8479, or Eva Aceituno, 371-8126.

Foster grandparents

Foster grandparents are needed to work with children in West Sacramento. A non-taxable stipend of $2.55/hour (which doesn't affect your benefits) is available, as are a hot meal, training and mileage reimbursement. Volunteers must be at least 60. Call 875-3616.

Car seat inspectors

Up to 98 percent of all child safety seats are installed incorrectly. The Yolo Co. Health Dept. invites those interested in improving safety for children in cars to train as a car seat inspector. The next training session is 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 11, at the fire department training center at 1556 Springlake Ct. in Woodland. Call (530) 666-8645 for information.

Suicide prevention

Suicide Prevention of Yolo County is recruiting community volunteers to serve on its crisis lines. Training is provided, with a 40-hour session beginning on Jan. 20 in Davis on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6-9 p.m. Call (530) 756-7542.

County vacancies

Yolo County is seeking citizens for some of its 30+ boards, committees and commissions. Supervisor Tom Stallard of the Third District invites constituents to submit an application. Vacancies currently exist on the adult health care advisory board, the commission on aging, the developmental disabilities committee, health council and waste advisory committee. Call his office at (530) 666-8230.

Everyday heroes

"Heart of a Hero" seeks nominations in Yolo and neighboring counties for its "everyday hero" awards, given to "heroes" who serve others in a number of different ways. For information and a nomination form, call Joyce Arredondo at the North Area Teen Center, 486-9893. Nomination deadline is March 3. Awards will be presented March 29 at the Radisson Hotel. Proceeds benefit the teen center.

Taking a spiritual look

Community Lutheran Church in West Sacramento plans a "spiritual look at ourselves, our churches, our community and our world," with a different topic every month. Topics include issues on the ballot in March, the church and government, and different spiritual holiday traditions. For information, call 371-8804 or 371-2552.

Suspension/expulsion

A committee formed by Washington Unified School District to study the district's policies and procedures for suspending and expelling students is seeking your input. Attend Tues., Feb. 1, from 3:15 to 4:45 p.m. at the Turner Library, or Tues., Feb. 22, from 3:15 to 4:45 p.m. at the district's boardroom at 930 Westacre Rd. Call 375-7604 ext. 2249 for information.

OLG registration

Registration for Our Lady of Grace School 2000-2001 kindergartners will take place in the school library on Wed., Feb. 9, at 7 p.m. Parents should bring a birth certificate, baptism certificate (if applicable), health records and a $225 registration fee. Call 371-9416 for more information.

Softball signups

Signups for the West Sacramento Girls Softball League take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the softball diamonds on Anna Street (at Alyce Norman Elementary School) on Jan. 22 & 29 and Feb. 5. Last chance for signups will be Feb. 12, with a $10 late fee. Bring a birth certificate. Tee ball is $45; rookies, minors and majors pay $55 per child. Players, coaches and managers are all needed. Call 375-1820 or 372-9502.

Book sale

The first book sale of the year 2000 sponsored by the East Yolo Friends of the Library will be held Jan. 22-23, with Saturday hours from 9 to 4 and Sunday from 10 to 2, in the community room of the Arthur F. Turner Library at 1212 Merkley Ave. Paperbacks and children's books will be 25 cents; most hardcovers will be 50 cents. Special books and sets may be priced higher. Sunday is bargain day; books remaining will be sold at $1 per grocery bagful. Donations of clean, gently-used books are accepted year-round. Proceeds from the sale support children's programs, leased bestsellers, the public typewriter and computer, and audio and video collections.

Spaghetti feed

River City High's Class of 2000 will host an "all you can eat" spaghetti feed at the Jefferson Blvd. Moose Lodge, with sittings from 5 to 6:30 p.m. and again from 7 to 8:30 p.m. A raffle will follow each dinner. Tickets are $7 for either time and can be purchased at the door. Proceeds benefit class activities. Call 375-7814 for information.

Food giveaway

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible residents on Jan. 29. The giveway will take place at the county building on Jefferson Blvd. from 8-10 a.m.; at the Sam Combs Activity Center on Stone Blvd. from 8:30-9:30 a.m.; and at the Clarksburg Firehouse from 10-11 a.m. Commodities include refried beans, corn, rice, apple sauce and macaroni. Eligible participants are asked to bring their own bag. Call 758-6821 for information.

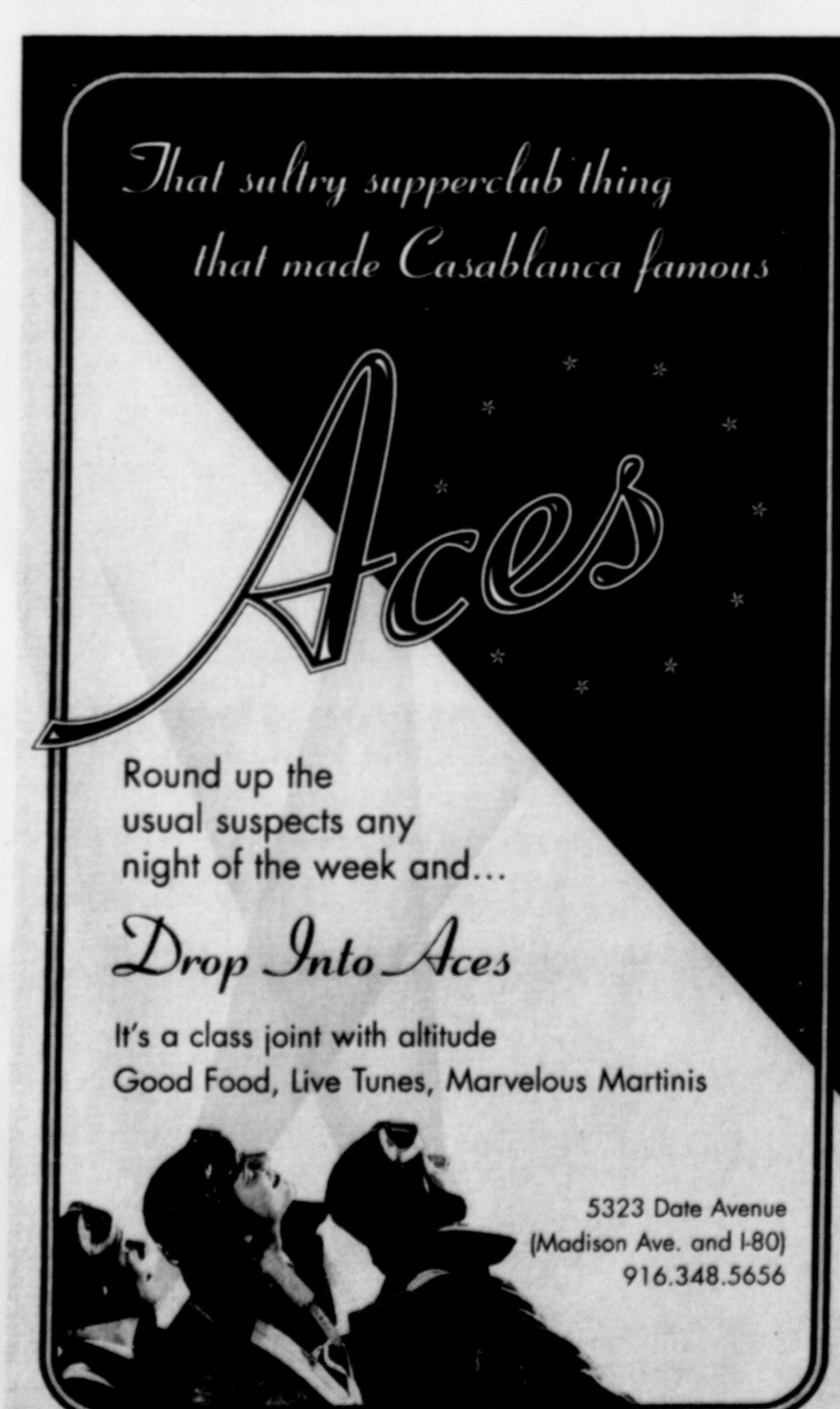
Bible Study

First Southern Baptist Church at 2124 Michigan Blvd. (at Maple St.) has started a beginners' and new Christian Bible Study on Thursday afternoons from 1-2 p.m., in the fellowship hall next to the church. The class is informal. All are welcome. The church also has a Wednesday evening Bible study and prayer meeting with Pastor Michael Root from 6:30-7:30 p.m. For information, call 371-2111.

ADD students

Southport Elementary School has started a monthly parent support group for parents of children with Attention Deficit Disorder. The group meets the first Wednesday of the month at the school, 2747 Linden Rd., from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. For information, call Principal Smith, 375-7890 or leave a message on her voice mail, 375-7604 ext. 7901.

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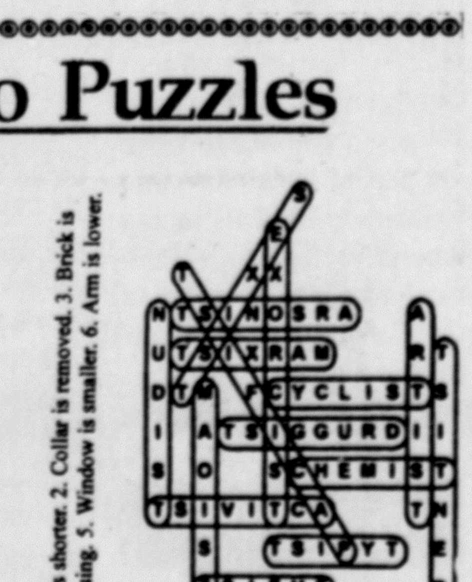
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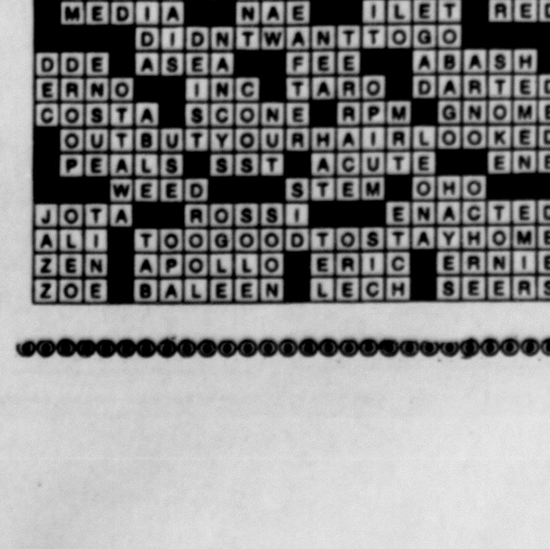
Answers to Puzzles

1. Lefty Grove, Warren Spahn, Christy Mathewson, Stan Musial and Honus Wagner; 2. Steve Garvey (1978 with Los Angeles; 1984 with San Diego); 3. Joe Paterno of Penn State, with 30; 4. Portland's Mike Dunleavy (Philadelphia's Larry Brown was second in the voting); 5. Marcel Dionne, with 1,771 points (731 goals and 1,040 assists); 6. Ten times (1904, 1920, 1924, 1928, 1932, 1948, 1952, 1968, 1984, 1996); 7. Chris Evert won seven times (1974, 1975, 1979, 1980, 1983, 1985, 1986).

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